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## Reds Say Mannerheim Line Broken

### RUSSIANS RE-OCCUPY VILLAGE ON HOGLAND

MOSCOW, DEC. 8 (REUTER).—A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED TO-DAY REITERATES THE CLAIMS OF THE REDS TO HAVE BROKEN THROUGH THE MANNERHEIM LINE AND TO HAVE ADVANCED ABOUT SEVEN MILES IN THIS SECTOR AND 27 TO 45 MILES IN OTHER SECTORS.

The weather has prevented air activity.

### AGGRESSOR DENOUNCED

France Promises  
Aid For Finns

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Dec. 8 (UP).—Speaking in the Chamber of Deputies, the Premier, M. Daladier, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the Minister for Defence, vigorously denounced the Soviet's aggression against Finland.

M. Daladier said: "France sends her warmest fraternal salutation to Finland and promises her aid and support." He was loudly applauded.

Oslo Meeting

OSLO, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Foreign Ministers of Denmark, Norway and Sweden, who are meeting here, have issued a statement saying that they are trying to bring about negotiations between the Soviet and Finland.

They have indicated that they would do this through the League when it meets this week-end to consider Finland's appeal.

Swedes Volunteer To  
Assist Finland

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—No less than 47 recruiting offices have been opened for Swedes who wish to volunteer for service with the Finnish forces, and already gifts amounting to \$250,000 from the Swedes have been collected for Finland.

It is learned that medical and surgical supplies are being sent from Britain and the United States for Finland and that an appeal for funds has been opened in both countries.

Danes Also Volunteer  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 8 (UP).—Three hundred and fifty Danes have so far been accepted for voluntary service in the Finnish Army.

Profound Sympathy

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—M. Daladier, the French Premier, stated to-day: "I am interpreting the feelings of the whole French nation without distinction, class or party, when I address to Finland the greetings of France, and an assurance of her keen and profound sympathy."

### POLES ARE STILL RESISTING

PARIS, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—Reports from Poland state that well-armed bands under energetic leadership are continuing to resist German troops, especially in the Carpathians and the Upper Vistula areas.

The activity of these bands has made it necessary for the Nazis to bring several divisions from Slovakia.

### Railway Workers' Minimum Wages

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The four main railway companies have accepted the findings of the National Tribunal, which include the establishment of 50 shillings a week as minimum wages.

In London the decision applies as from October 28.

A Finnish communique from Helsingfors states that the Russians have continued their attack near Taialen-koki on the western fringe of Lake Ladoga. The attack was repulsed. On the eastern frontier, the Russians have occupied the village of Suomussalmi.



The latest Russian threat to Finland is a naval blockade of the Gulf of Finland. Hogland Island has been re-occupied.

The Russians have also occupied the island of Suursaari (Hogland), destroying two villages. There were no air raids to-day.

### General Staff Strategy

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Finnish General Staff is not releasing precise details of the campaign, says an official announcement, because reports have been received of great confusion among a number of Russian units and their chaotic system of communication.

Any precise information might, therefore, be of real value to the Russians.

### BLOCKADE BEGINS

### Reds Warn Ships To Leave Finland

OSLO, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The U.S.S.R. have informed the Norwegian Admiralty that the Gulf of Finland and the Gulf of Bothnia are blockaded by the U.S.S.R. as from noon to-day.

Following the decision to blockade the coasts of Finland, the Russians have asked all foreign ships to leave Finnish ports by noon to-morrow. It is doubted in Helsingfors whether they will find it possible to put the blockade into practice as Finland possesses 1,200 miles of coast-line, and with ice on its way, it will be difficult to patrol the seas.

In spite of the advice to leave from Nazi authorities, it is now known that the majority of the German residents in Finland have chosen to stay.

Six hundred left aboard the Donau a few days ago, but the total number of German residents in Finland is about 4,000.

### Nazi Ship Attacked

It is revealed that a German boat, Oliva, was attacked by a Russian submarine engaged in the blockade of the Finnish coast as she was leaving Uto, south of Aabo, on Tuesday.

It is stated that the submarine fired three shots at the ship which was hit in the bows.

Soviet sailors then boarded the ship to examine her papers.

### Finland Controls Vital Gulf

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Russian decision to blockade the coasts of Finland is believed as may be a prelude to an attempt to land troops near Viipuri with the control of the Bothnian Gulf.

### ENORMOUS RESERVES

### Allies' Resources In United States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (UP).—The Federal Reserve Board has unprecedentedly issued a compilation showing the disposable resources of Great Britain and France.

Those aggregate \$1,688,000,000, compared to Germany's \$32,000,000.

The neutrals, including Russia, possessed \$1,760,000,000.

The estimate includes foreign gold holdings of \$660,000,000, but excludes Great Britain's direct investments in the United States.

Canada and other Anglo-French overseas interests possess \$328,000,000 and France's resources are listed at \$700,000,000.

### DOMINIONS' FRONTIERS

### "On Rhine And East Coast Of England"

CANBERRA, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—"Australia's real frontiers are not only here but on the Rhine and the east coast of England," declared Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister in a nation-wide broadcast.

Mr. Menzies added that if Britain lost the war, Australia would be lost with it.

Britain was fighting Australia's battle as well as her own.

### Can't Be Neutral

Australia could never consent to be neutral in an honourable and unavoidable British war.

Australian soldiers would once more be seen in Europe where the fame of their achievements as fighters would stimulate the Allies, and give the lie to the fatuous German hope that some disease had overtaken British unity in the last 20 years.

Chaotic Soviet Army

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—A special commentary says that according to the Italian wireless, conditions in the Soviet Army appear to be bad as the result of disorder and insufficient supplies.

Some 1,500 troops have surrendered.

There has been no food for three days. Food supplies are chaotic.

Advance "Inevitable"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Russians are attacking in the Karelian Isthmus and have in several points approached the first of the four main lines of the Mannerheim system.

Soviet pressure to-day was strongest in the northern sector of the isthmus along the River Vuoksi.

Fighting in this area was mostly skirmishes between patrols.

With their superior numbers, the Russian advance is inevitable, but the Finnish Staff say that the withdrawal of their men is slower than they had dared to hope.

The Red Army is faced with many handicaps as they push through the countryside.

Trackless pine forests intersected by frozen streams, dotted with small lakes and totally devoid of landmarks buried in snow, deep drifts and huge boulders make natural tank-traps.

Finnish ski troops are indulging in guerrilla tactics, enabling them to escape with minimum casualties, while inflicting many on the enemy.

Soviet aircraft are reported to-day to have bombed the nickel mines at Konoljoki.

The Finns are holding their own round Petsamo where the Soviet PLEASE Turn To Page 4.

Object of taking the Mannerheim Line in the rear.

The blockade is taken lightly in Helsingfors.

Undoubtedly, the normal boat service between Aabo and Stockholm will have to be suspended, but Finland expects to remain in general control of the Bothnian Gulf.

### SOUTH AFRICA'S ASSURANCE

### To Aid Portugal If Colonies Attacked

LISBON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—Colonel Dennis Reitz, the South African Minister for Native Affairs, called on M. Salazar, the Portuguese Premier.

Col. Reitz is reported to have said on arrival that South Africa would immediately fight with Portugal if the country's colonies were attacked.

Portugal and South Africa, he said, have a great common frontier, and the friendly relations between them are growing stronger every day.

Col. Reitz is to discuss matters of common interest with the Portuguese Minister of Colonies.

Dramatic Story of Rescue of Tajandoen Survivors

## LIFEBOATS RACED FOR LIFE IN BLAZING SEA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, DEC. 8 (UP).—LATEST VICTIMS OF THE GERMAN SEA WARFARE INCLUDE A NORWEGIAN TANKER OF 6,214 TONS, WHICH SANK OFF THE WEST COAST ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT AFTER A SERIES OF VIOLENT EXPLOSIONS. SIX MEMBERS OF THE CREW WERE KILLED AND THE EXPLOSIONS SMASHED THREE OF THE FIVE LIFEBOATS. THE REMAINDER OF THE CREW, NUMBERING 25 MEN, WERE LANDED SAFELY.

### Escape Second Peril

Sixty-four survivors of the Dutch steamer Tajandoen, including 14 passengers, some of them women—were picked up by the Belgian freighter Louis Scheid (6,057 tons).

They narrowly escaped a new peril when the Louis Scheid grounded on a reef off the south-west coast.

The survivors scrambled down a rope ladder into the lifeboats, which landed them nearby. Other lifeboats along the coast, after standing by for several hours, started removing the crew of the Louis Scheid early this morning.

### Dramatic Race For Life

The survivors from the Louis Scheid and Tajandoen told a dramatic story of a race for life amid a rapidly spreading lake of blazing oil.

When they landed in a lifeboat from the Louis Scheid, the Captain of the Tajandoen, Mr. Jean Roederer, said: "All passengers and several of the crew were in their bunks when the explosion occurred. There were 14 passengers, including five women."

"It was a terrific explosion and did so much damage that the vessel sank within a quarter of an hour. Fortunately, we were able to get off all the passengers and crew, with the exception of two engineers and four seamen."

"Then began the grim race for safety. The explosion spread fuel oil over the sea which caught fire on the surface, and the blazing lake spread away from the sinking vessel. As it spread, the lifeboat crew worked desperately to keep the boats afloat. Fortunately for all, we won the race."

Tajandoen Sunk In Darkness

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The captain of the Dutch ship Tajandoen, which was sunk two days ago, told "Reuter" that the explosion occurred in the darkness.

He did not know whether it was caused by a mine or a torpedo.

U.S. And The Blockade

### Won't Permit Interference Of Shipping

### Mr. Hull's Statement

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (UP).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, has advised Great Britain that the interference of shipments to the United States in the course of the British blockade of German exports would constitute a violation of international law.

The United States reserved "all rights and the rights of her nationals" and to what extent the blockade infringed.

The United States had also requested Great Britain not to interfere with the legitimate trade of the country.

Fear Diversion Of Ships

He said that the British blockade, if applied literally, would subject American vessels to diversion to British ports if they were found carrying goods of former German ownership, regardless of the place of sailing of such goods or the place of destination, and regardless of ownership at the time the vessel was intercepted.

The words "enemy origin" covered any goods having origin in any territory under enemy control, and the words "enemy property" included.

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### Propaganda Resented

### Turkish Press Is Indignant

ANKARA, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Turkish press is indignant at the activities of the Nazi propagandist in Turkey.

One leading paper announces a campaign to unmask the Nazi propaganda organisations.

It says it will disclose full details of how Nazi propaganda is working.

Another paper urges the Government to do something about the "world's most poisonous weapon—Nazi propaganda."

Turkish Minister Returns

ANKARA, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Turkish Minister to Romania is coming back to Ankara to see the Prime Minister, who has postponed his tour of the eastern provinces.

### DESTROYER TORPEDOED

### Jersey Limp To Safety After U-Boat Action

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 8 (UP).—The Admiralty officially announces that the 1,690-ton destroyer Jersey was torpedoed by a German U-Boat yesterday.

The Jersey was able to limp into port and is now safe.

Twelve sailors were injured. Two officers and eight sailors are missing. They are believed dead.

The Jersey is one of the latest destroyers in the British Navy. She was launched during the September crisis last year, and was commissioned just before the outbreak of war. She carries six 4.7 guns and has ten torpedo tubes. Her normal complement is 193.

She is the fifth British warship damaged by enemy action.

H.M.S. Blanche Lost

The Admiralty also discloses that the destroyer which was lost on November 13 after striking a mine in the North Sea was H.M.S. Blanche (1,378 tons). She was one of the older type destroyers, and was a sister-type to the Defender class on China Station before the outbreak of hostilities. The Blanche was launched in May, 1920 and commissioned in February, 1931. One member of the crew was killed and 16 were injured.

A motor boat saved most of the crew.

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### BIG JAPANESE LINER SENDS DISTRESS CALL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Dome).—It is reported that a Japanese ship is in distress near Bell Rock Island off the eastern coast of Scotland and is sending out S.O.S. signals.

The ship's name is not yet ascertained but it is feared that it might be the N.Y.K. liner Azuma Maru, that up to 630 passengers, no-decked 6,648 tons, which left Rotterdam on Monday night for London.

Since its departure, the ship reportedly in distress.

## \$3,384,135 IN MONTH

### Cost Of Government In H.K. Mounts

FOR the first time during 1939, Hongkong's monthly expenditure exceeded the revenue during September according to the "Gazette" figures issued to-day, revenue totalling \$2,695,294 and expenditure \$3,384,135.

As a result there was a decrease in the balance of assets over liabilities from \$16,075,350 at the end of August to \$15,988,508 at the end of September.

Despite this, however, the total revenue for the month exceeded that for the same month of last year by almost \$200,000, and to date the aggregate revenue for the year, up to the end of September, exceeds that for the corresponding period of 1938 by over \$3,000,000.

By the end of September revenue amounted to 0/7ths of the total estimated revenue for the year, being marked at \$30,295,410.

Heavier Expenditure

On the expenditure side, however, there was a big advance during September as compared with the 1938 figures. Government spent \$634,000 more this year than last, and up to the end of September the year's expenditure amounted to \$27,871,142.

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### ATTEMPT TO RAID FRENCH CAPITAL

PARIS, Dec. 8 (UP).—It has been disclosed that several large squadrons of German bombing planes penetrated deeply into French territory during the night, apparently in an attempt to raid Paris.

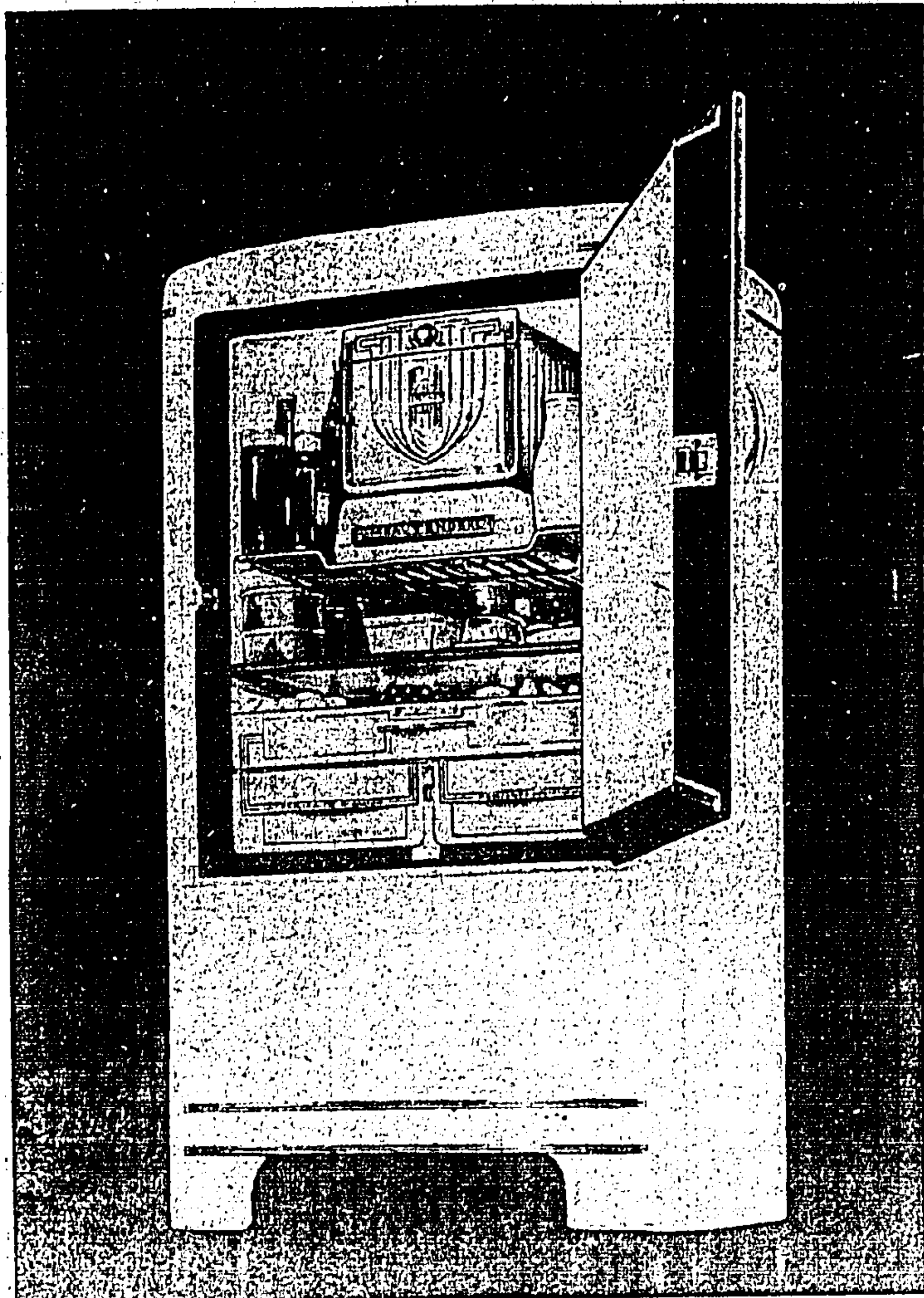
They crossed the frontier at an altitude of 23,000 feet, taking advantage of heavy clouds.

They were sighted by successive waves of anti-aircraft batteries who engaged the raiders and drove them off just east of the French capital.



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## GERMANS (AGED 17-70) EXTEND SIEGFRIED LINE

### Wives Storm A Prison

New York. **WEeping** wives of convicts at San Quentin, California, threatened to batter their way into a prison where forty-one men had been given a mass whipping by their guards.

Climouring to see the governor, the pretty blonde wife of one convict said she would organise citizens into an army to release the prisoners. The prison whipping scene compared with the torture horrors of the Middle Ages.

#### Lead-Tipped Straps

After the forty-one prisoners were led into the courtyard and bound, guards with lead-tipped straps lashed them unmercifully. When the whipping ended some of the men were unconscious.

The lashing was punishment for the men's part in a prison hunger strike. The California governor has ordered the resignation of the prison board, but the convicts' wives are gathering supporters and demanding active vengeance and the men's release.

### They've Been Diluting The Regiment

MR. HORE-BELISHA, War Minister, to a visibly moved House of Commons:

"As the London Scottish seems to have obtained an undue number of Englishmen, steps will be taken to withdraw the Englishmen and to replace them by men of Scottish descent in future, but this cannot be guaranteed for the full duration of the war."

The situation, according to Mr. Gibson (Lab., Greenock), had caused alarm inside and outside London—52 non-Scots had been taken into one battalion and 100 into another. He wanted the distinctive tradition of the regiment maintained.

Mr. Hore-Belisha pointed out that every effort was made to send Scottish recruits to Scottish units, but the number in the quota was insufficient, and it was necessary to supplement them from other sources.

### WAALS (Dutch-German Frontier).

I HAVE been watching Germans aged seventy and seventeen building the new sector of the Siegfried Line along the Dutch frontier this week-end, says a correspondent.

From Waals, where the Dutch, Belgian and German frontiers come together opposite Aachen, I saw Labour Service youths and ordinary workers constructing forts cut into a low hillside.

Through glasses I could see the grey-green uniforms of the Labour Service troops, and the khaki of the officer in charge.

Work is being carried on night and day since Hitler gave the order that the Siegfried Line was to be pushed up to the North Sea. At present the forts reach no further than about four miles north of the Belgian frontier.

At least one light line of fortifications is being worked on, and the Nazis believe it can be ready before next spring. Lorries bring up one shift of workers and take back the other.

Some of the workmen on the Siegfried Line here (it should be more strictly called the West Wall where it runs north of Belgium) are over seventy.

#### 9-Hour Day

There men do not do the heavy construction work, but they are busy at carpentering and plumbing, and so the same nine-hour shift as boys of seventeen of the Labour Service.

None of the fortification workers is allowed to cross the frontier into Holland. They are watched constantly by Gestapo spies. Eleven men from this region alone were sent to concentration camps in the last six months for talking too much.

When I drove to the look-out point on the hill behind Waals, highest point in Holland, I saw German patrols moving through the woods fifty yards away from the road which is the Dutch frontier.

On the Line troops move into the forts as soon as they are finished, before even the concrete is dry. This is done not only as a defence measure, but because Aachen is so crowded that every billet that can be found is useful.

### WHY CHILDREN ARE FRETFUL

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### SOLDIERS' COMFORTS

#### Hongkong To Send Shipment Next Week

The British War Organisation Fund announce that by courtesy of the Blue Funnel Line, 10 cases of supplies for troops will be despatched to England next week. The materials were purchased with public donations to the Fund.

The contents of the cases are—1,216 abdominal awabs, 94 many-tailed bandages, 574 triangular bandages, 617 rolled calico bandages, 398 gauze rolled bandages, 143 bandages, 150 towels, 39 sheets, 739 gauze dressings, 2,320 small awabs, 144 operating coats, 133 hospital socks (pairs), 224 pullovers, 223 socks (pairs), 371 scarves, 25 pairs mittens, 6 bulalaya helmets.

The hospital supplies have been sent to the British Red Cross, knitted articles to the Officer-in-Charge, Army Comforts, and the Royal Naval Comforts Depot.

It is expected that similar supplies will be sent regularly once a month. There will be no meeting at the U.S.H.C. on December 13, 20 or 27, but supplies of materials can be obtained from Mrs. Phillips, 13 Observatory Road.

The knitting section continues to work on Tuesdays at the Helena May Institute and on Thursdays at 350, The Peak (Tel. 29010) and wool and patterns are given to those who prefer to knit at home. An appeal has been received from England asking urgently for knitted comforts for the Services, and it is hoped that all who can will knit warm garments, so that frequent consignments may be sent, as the men's needs are especially great during the coming months.

### DOCTOR CLIMBED UP ROPE WITH TEETH

ANOTHER dramatic story of the Simon Bolivar was revealed at an Ipswich hospital, where Dr. William Besson, Colonial medical officer, lies with an injured spine and broken right arm.

"I was thrown right into the air by the first explosion," he said.

"I smashed my spine and my arm as I landed on the deck. The ship's boat we were in capsized and I was thrown into the water.

"Clinging to wreckage, I drifted for four hours. Then I saw a rope trailing from the side of a British destroyer.

"I grabbed it with my teeth and clung to it. Then gradually using my teeth and my good arm, I hauled myself up. I was too weak to shout for help."

And this is what Dr. Besson did not

mention:

How after receiving his terrible injuries, he directed rescue operations as he lay in agony on the deck;

How he helped his wife and daughter to some drifting wreckage when the ship's boat turned over;

How he left their side to plunge to the rescue of his son, who had been swept away by a wave;

And how he swam after the little boy until he could swim no longer.

These things were told by his brother-in-law, Mr. John Davis, a Liverpool University dental student.

Dr. Besson's 26-year-old wife, his daughter, aged four, and son, aged six, were all drowned.



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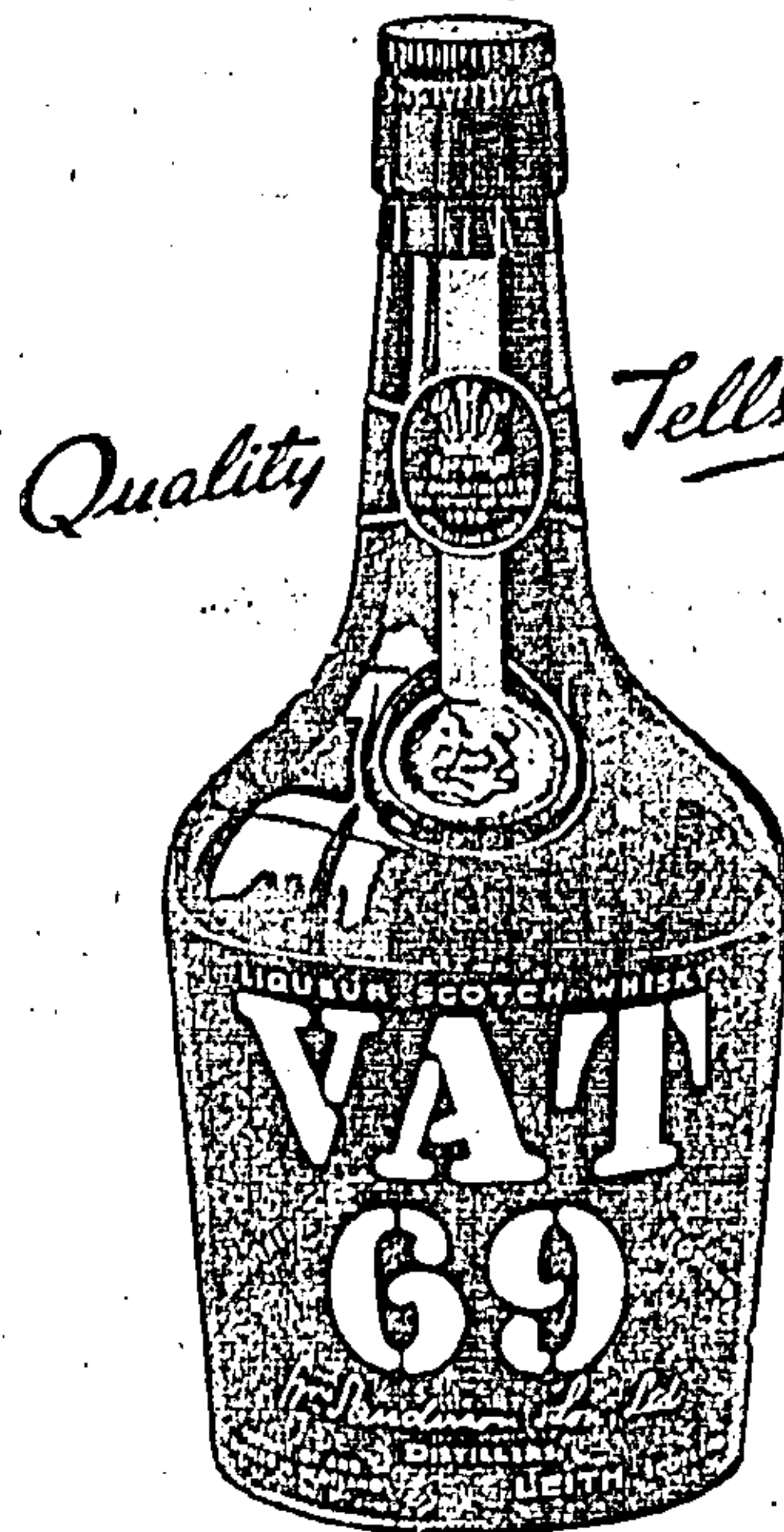
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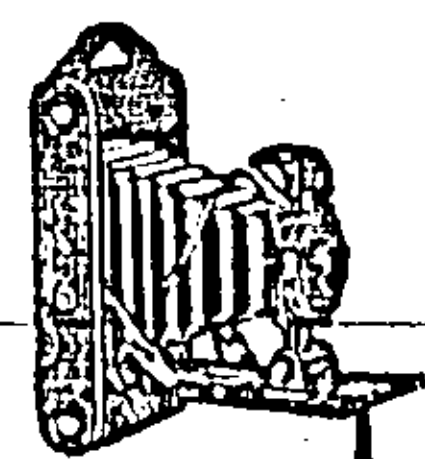
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## GESTAPO SPY ON GESTAPO

PARIS.  
So great is the discontent of high circles in the Nazi party with Hitler's Russian policy, states a Havas Agency message from the German frontier, that Himmler, chief of the Gestapo, Nazi Secret Police, has instructed Heydrich, his deputy, to form a super-Gestapo to watch over the Gestapo itself.  
Heydrich is said to be leader of the recently-formed "people's information service," a spy organization to seek out the "inner enemies of the Reich."  
The new super-Gestapo is stated to consist of 120 officials. Their names are kept secret. They are given full powers, and are responsible only to Himmler and Heydrich personally.  
It is stated that the party tribunals have had their work more than doubled since the conclusion of the Nazi-Soviet pact. From every direction come charges against Nazis who have not dropped their anti-Bolshevik opinions quickly enough.

## BIG GUNS PRACTICE

Shells That Cause  
"Earthquakes"

SOMEWHERE IN WESSEX.  
To-day I saw something of the revolutionary changes in military technique which have come about with the introduction of new and vastly more powerful weapons, says a Home-side correspondent.

There were "in action" armoured machines which are to keep war on the move, while shells from heavy howitzers were responsible for local earthquakes.

These heavy weapons are not often fired in peace; the shells are too expensive to allow much field firing. These massive pieces of ordnance are used against field works. They are fed with shells weighing about 300lb.

It takes four men to carry each shell to the gun position. A mechanical crane attached to the gun is used to lift the shell to the loading chamber.  
Standing behind the howitzer, one could see the shell on discharge rising to a great altitude, and then presumably dropping on its target.

Its disruptive effect on impact is so great that an observer at the target end is not allowed to be within 2,000 yards of its objective.

## When You Write To The Navy

Many naval ratings and marines are having to wait a long time for their letters because they have not been properly addressed.

The man's rating, official number, port division, and ship must be in the address and the letter sent c/o the General Post Office, London.

If the ship is not known use the address, c/o the Commandant, R.N. Barracks, or, in the case of a Royal Marine, the Commandant, R.M. Barracks, at the man's port division.

## SOMETHING HAPPENED RECENTLY TO TAKE US BACK TO . . .

### 1914

—THROUGH the black, shell-torn fields of Hyon, three miles from Mons, six British soldiers staggered toward the dim light of a farmhouse.

Behind them the guns roared. German "mopping-up" parties raked the countryside as the Kaiser's troops pushed back the Third Division.

The farmhouse door opened. The hunted men hid in the shadows.

Then a soft voice called in French, "Don't be afraid. Come, warm yourselves."

It was Mme. Urbain Gauquier, widow of a French poilu, who called them. Her eyes were still red at news of her husband's death. . . . "Killed in action."

The six men staggered exhausted into the farmhouse. Mme. Gauquier fed them, gave them mattresses to sleep in.

Next morning German troops surrounded the house, demanded that they should search it.

They did—found nothing.

When they had gone the small, black, iron door of a massive old bread-oven opened and the six hunted British soldiers crawled out.

For two days they stayed at the farmhouse hidden by Mme. Gauquier in the bread-oven.

On the third day she dressed them in her dead husband's civilian clothes. She took them to a nearby cemetery, where they pretended to be grave-diggers until night fell.

Then they fled and rejoined their regiments. . . . And Mme. Gauquier went back to her farmhouse.

By the end of the war she became known to the army as "Mother of the Canadians."

Alone she buried seventeen Canadians. And cared for their graves—until last month.

Because this Brussels message came into newspaper offices: Mme. Eugénie Urbain Gauquier, a Mons widow, has died at Hyon, aged 88.

## Was It 'Peace Propaganda'?

A YOUNG war-time post-woman gave the German Propaganda Ministry a shock in Berlin's radio programme one night recently.

She did her propaganda piece well—until the interviewer asked if she was proud of her husband and whether he was at the front.

"Thank God, no," she said. "For the first time I am glad his health is bad."

Was this more "peace propaganda," or just somebody telling the truth by mistake?

## D.F.C. FOR ANOTHER WAR Heroes Of The Waziristan

WHILE guns thunder on the Western Front, and bombers roar over Europe, the King has honoured men of the Air Force and Army for gallantry in another war.

The London Gazette announces that the following awards had been made in connection with the operations in Waziristan from December 16, 1937, to December 31, 1938: Distinguished Flying Cross: Flight Lieutenant Igor William Braye and Flight Lieutenant Wilfred Edward Surplice.

Distinguished Flying Medal: Corporal Leonard Edwin Cowan and Corporal Eric James Fudge. Distinguished Service Order: Lieutenant Donald Powell, 1st Battalion, 10th Punjab Regt., Indian Army.

Military Cross: Lieutenant (now Captain) Arthur Maurice Field, Royal Engineers; Lieutenant Victor Oswald Frederick Wildish, 1st Battalion, 10th Baluch Regt., Indian Army; Lieutenant Charles Walter Burgess Gilbert, Royal Artillery.

Military Medal: Sergeant William Vincent, Royal Tank Regt.; Colonel (Temporary Brigadier) Harold Victor Lewis, Indian Army, has been made a Companion of the Order of the Indian Empire.

## Goering Gives Plane To Voroshilov

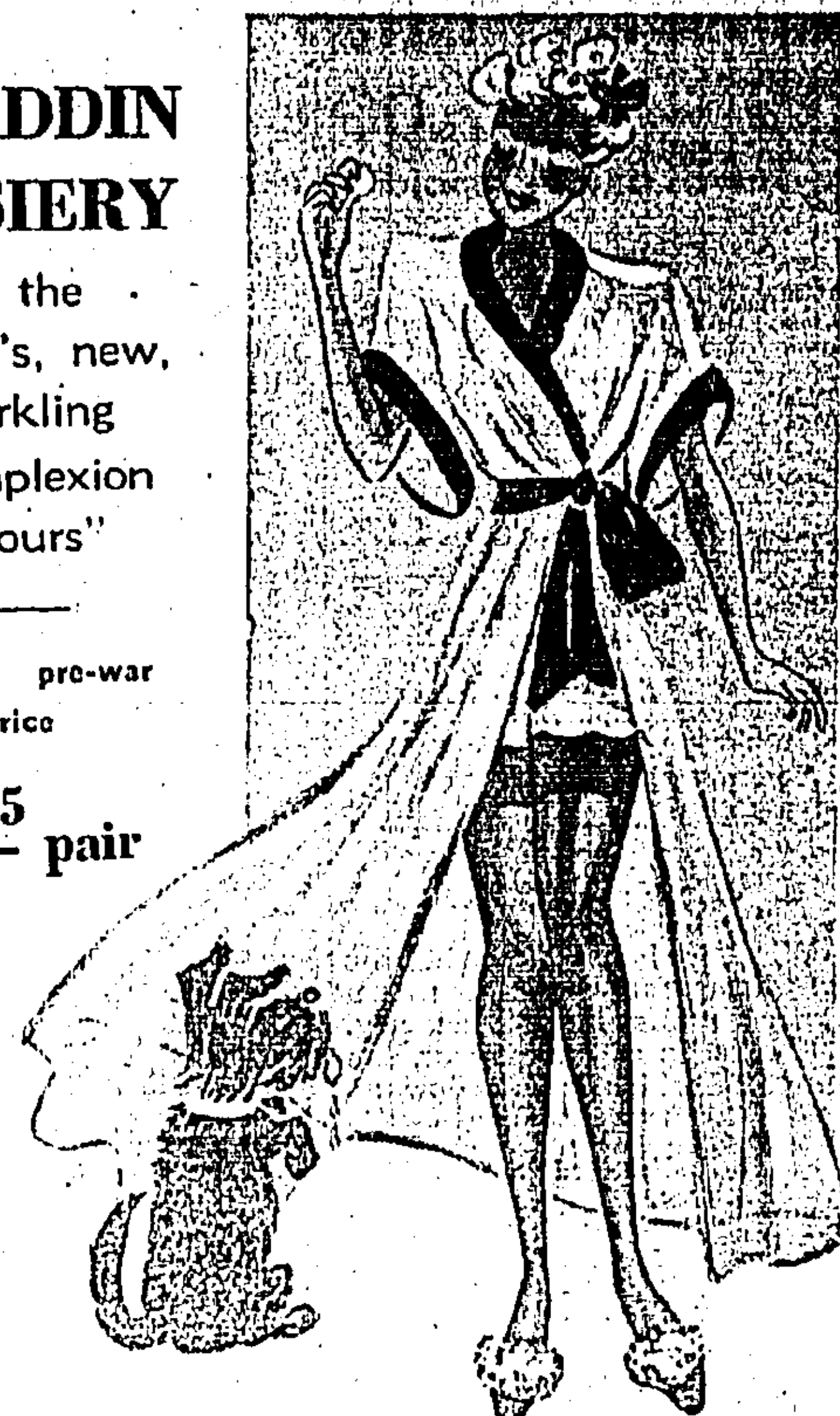
Moscow. — Field-Marshal Goering has presented Marshal Voroshilov, Soviet War Commissar, with a Fieseler "Storch" aeroplane, which was flown here from Germany by Colonel Ascherbrenner, the German Air Attache in Moscow.  
The plane, which is designed for slow flying is for Marshal Voroshilov's personal use.—Reuter.

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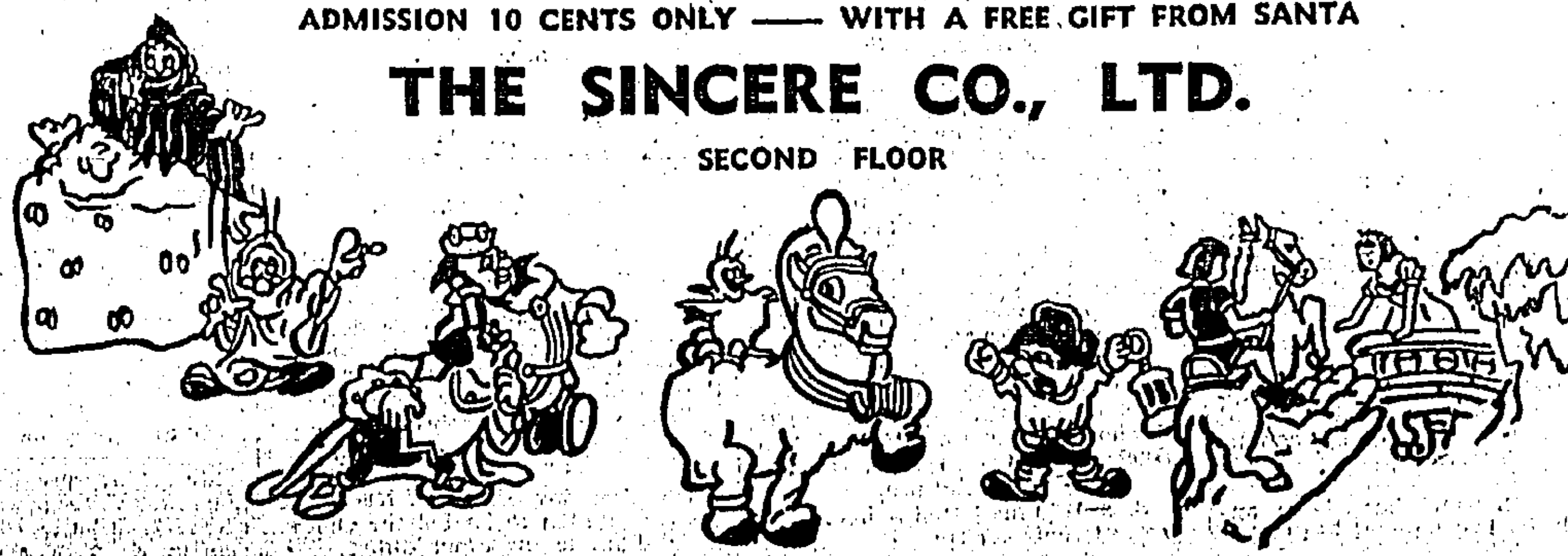
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To those who, soaring earthward,  
Seek, undimmed, the trackless way  
High in the wide expanse of  
heaven—  
Be Thou their help, by night and  
day,  
Thro' fire, thro' cloud, o'er land,  
o'er wave,  
Still be Thy presence strong to  
save.

The hymn, which can be sung to the tune "Mellita" (Dykes) or "Rest" (Stainer), was used for the first time in Winchester Cathedral.

It is published in leaflet form by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

## New York Surveyed For Air Shelters

NEW YORK.—It is learned that the New York Police Department is making a survey of all cellars in the city which might be used as places of refuge in the event of an air raid or bombardment from the sea.

In compliance with secret orders members of the force are visiting all skyscrapers and other large buildings to obtain information for a report on the space available below street level and on the number of people using the buildings during and after business hours. These reports will be used for the preparation of a master chart.

## Porter Found Murillo Among Rubbish

Mexico City. A porter who is also an amateur painter, saved from destruction a valuable canvas of Bartolome Esteban Murillo. The porter, employed at the Palace of Fine Arts here, had been ordered to clear rubbish from a spare room behind the art gallery of the palace.

He was attracted by the appearance of a piece of dirty canvas. He cleaned it and uncovered the signature "Murillo" and most beautiful colouring and figuring.

He rushed with the find to the administrator of the palace. Experts were called and they said the canvas was an original of great value.

The porter received a bonus of £5 and two days off, with pay.

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**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS**  
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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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### HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

The Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children will be held in the Helena May Institute on Monday, December 11th at 5.30 p.m.

The Meeting is open to all persons interested in the work of the Society.

ANN CROZIER,  
Hon. General Secretary.

### RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH.

18 Jordan Road, Kowloon

The following services will be held: Saturday, 9th December, at 6 p.m. and Sunday, 10th December, at 9 a.m. On Saturday, 9th December, a Russian Bazaar will be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, at 2 p.m.

M. J. NESTEROFF,  
Church Warden.

## Mines Still A Problem

But "Asdic" Has Beaten  
Nazi Submarines

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Asdic system of tracking U-boats, "Reuter" is informed, enables two destroyers to do what ten destroyers were required in the last war.

The ingenious apparatus has been perfected over the past 17 years through very intensive experiments by Navy technicians.

No other navy possess such an efficient instrument.

The system, coupled with other devices, has enabled us to attain a measure of mastery over the submarine, but it would be foolhardy, "Reuter" is told, to underestimate the problem of the magnetic and floating mines.

These vary in sensitivity and it would be necessary to find different means of rendering them harmless. Various methods are now being applied with the result that all ports in the United Kingdom are being kept open, with only slight delays.

It is hoped to have the means of sweeping all vital channels every day or even several times daily so that it will be possible to say that every channel is safe throughout the 24 hours.

Mr. D. J. Sloss, C.B.E., M.A., has been appointed to be a member of the Board of Education for a further period of two years.

Mr. H. R. Butters has been appointed to act as Financial Secretary and has also been appointed to be a Director of the Widows and Orphans' Pensions.

The next Criminal Sessions for the despatch of the business of the Court will be held on Friday, December 15, at 9.30 a.m.

Mr. A. G. Clarke has been appointed to be an Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

## Gripps Has Trio Of High Class Entertainers

The high standard already attained this season by the cabaret entertainment at the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel is fully maintained by the three successors to Dave Harvey and the Dyer Sisters, the remarkably popular trio who opened the season and who, incidentally, depart for Manila by a Canadian liner to-day.

To a certain extent, Hongkong can thank the war in Europe for the fact that the current entertainment in the Gripps is of a calibre rarely seen outside London or New York.

"Mignone", the remarkable acrobatic dancer, was en route to London to fulfil an engagement in the metropolis when war broke out. She decided, instead, to cancel her plans, and is now en route to the United States.

"Co-starring" with "Mignone" on the Gripps first-rate bill of entertainment are June West and Kay, who give a new and refreshing interpretation of modern quick-step dancing. The "Night and Day" number is a remarkably smooth and effortless performance, meriting the demands for encores which have greeted them every night since their opening performance last Saturday.

"Mignone's" two numbers are superlative, and undoubtedly comprise the most graceful and remarkable exhibition of control ever witnessed at the Gripps if not, indeed, in Hongkong.

Indicative of the fact that the new artists are maintaining the high standard of popularity with patrons set by their predecessors, bookings are as heavy as on previous Saturdays, and the Management of the Hongkong Hotel recommend early reservations.

## LARGEST MASS RAID

Yesterday's Attack On  
Firth Of Forth

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

LONDON, Dec. 8 (UP).—The raid over the River Forth yesterday was one of Germany's largest mass attacks on British shores since the war began.

For the first time British planes returned to their bases with decided evidence of having been engaged in a fierce struggle amid the mist and clouds.

Their fuselages were marked by machine-gun fire and some of the wing coverings were torn.

One German plane was seen to be badly hit, diving towards the sea. Shortly before the mass raid, British planes encountered two enemy fighters at sea off the Forth and drove them off to the westward, winging one so badly that it is doubted whether she was able to reach her base.

**Nazis Admit Loss Of Plane**  
BERLIN, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—A communiqué admits that one German plane, which was attacked by British fighters in the Firth of Forth yesterday, was forced to land in the sea "owing to engine trouble".

The communiqué adds that the crew left the plane in a rubber boat.

## R.A.F. Sink U-Boat

Two Direct Hits

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Dec. 8 (UP).—It is announced that R.A.F. planes surprised a U-boat which was lying on the surface near the coast to-day.

Two direct hits were scored and the U-boat sank, emitting great quantities of oil and air bubbles.

**Attack Described.**  
LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—It is officially stated that a Coastal Command plane on patrol sighted a German submarine and attacked it.

The first bomb struck the submarine amidships a yard to starboard of the conning tower.

The second bomb fell directly above the submarine as she floundered.

For a time after the submarine had disappeared, oil and bubbles rose to the surface.

During the absence from the Colony of Mr. Katsuo Okazaki, Consul-General for Japan at Hongkong, Mr. Takio Oda will be in charge of the Japanese Consulate-General.

Messrs. J. T. Brown, A. St. G. Walton, R. R. T. Smith, and R. Rutherford have been appointed to be Acting Sub-Lieutenants in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force.

Paris, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that there was local activity by contact units and artillery.

Mrs. Ng Hok-mei has been appointed to be Inspector of Musters.

## Lack Of Sympathy

## NAZIS ACCUSE NEUTRALS

The Same Old Story

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The Nazi Government, through the official news agency, have issued a long commentary to neutral States in which they complain of the lack of sympathy for Germany.

Neutral States, says the commentary, have always been faithful supporters of the League, yet they have shown a lack of enthusiasm for National Socialism.

Since the outbreak of war, the statement goes on, neutral states have displayed anything but a benevolent attitude to German interests. Scandinavian journalists and politicians have assisted British war-mongers in forcing the war on the German people.

### Denial And Admission

Coupled with this is the denial that the German Government have been responsible for the Soviet invasion of Finland.

At the same time, an article appears in the "Frankfurter Zeitung," which admits that when the Nazi Government entered its agreement with the Soviets, it had realised that Moscow might take the opportunity to achieve its national aims.

There was not, however, says the paper, any special understanding about how far the Russian aims might go.

## WONT PERMIT INTERFERENCE

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goods belonging to any person in any such territory.

### Text Of Note

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The text of the United States note to Britain is published to-day and it follows the lines mentioned yesterday, reserving the rights of the United States under international law.

The note declares that maintenance of the integrity of international law cannot be too strongly emphasised at a time when a tendency towards disrespect of such law is threatening the security of peace-loving nations.

The British order, if applied literally, would be subject to diversion to British ports of American ships found carrying goods of German origin and ownership regardless of the place of loading or destination.

The note draws attention to the combat area under the Neutrality Act prohibiting United States ships from engaging in commerce within certain limits and asks that consequently justification for interfering with American vessels on the grounds of a breach of blockade can hardly arise.

The measure, directed by a belligerent against another, may not rightfully be carried to a point of enlarging the rights of a belligerent over neutral vessels or otherwise penalising the legitimate activities of neutral states.

The United States cannot view with equanimity the measures contemplated by the Order in Council, which if applied, cannot fail to add to the many inconveniences and damages to American international trade has already been subjected.

The note is considered by diplomatic circles here to be about the mildest that could be issued in view of the political situation of the United States and the lynx-like scrutiny which the Administration is giving to any move by the Administration.

At the same time, the Administration could hardly have made the note more stringent since it has not protested to Germany regarding misce-voicing or detention of her ships.

## REDS SAY MANNERHEIM LINE BROKEN

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forces were recently considerably reinforced.

**Heavy Red Losses**  
**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
OSLO, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The "Aftenbladet" reports that the Russians suffered heavy losses when landing troops at Linnahamari.

Soviet boats were approaching the shore when a terrific explosion occurred, sending huge rocks hurtling into the sea.

A number of boats capsized and several hundred troops were drowned.

Simultaneously, Finnish machine-guns opened fire.

## Mr. Butler On Way To Geneva

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and the other members of the British delegation to Geneva, left London by air to-day.

They are breaking their journey at Paris, but are expected to reach Geneva early to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North has been appointed to be Labour Officer, in addition to his other duties.

## War Through Eyes Of

The British Press

## Grave And Gay Comment

Nazis Committing  
Suicide

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—On the whole, the British press to-day concerned itself mainly with economic problems and the steps which the Government is likely to take to co-ordinate the economic measures.

Both the "Daily Telegraph" and the "Times," however, dealt with a diverging variety of interests.

The "Times" says that the Finnish campaign shows an interesting principle in modern warfare. While Helsinki suffers or expects to suffer from the horrors of aerial bombardment, the war in the north has developed into one of re-entrant transport and ski battles.

The country has no rail communications, and while Generals Janvier and Fevrier have played an important part in Russian history, they are quite capable of turning against the country which they have always served.

### Nazis' Odd Methods

Commenting on Mr. Churchill's statement that the Nazi Navy is running amok among neutral shipping, the "Daily Telegraph" stresses the odd case of the Greek steamer sunk on Wednesday. She was carrying German coal from Antwerp to Greece.

Nazi policy, says the "Telegraph," would seem to be imitating the venomous creature which, when irritated, stings itself to death.

### "Who Would Have Thought It?"

The "Daily Herald" praises the small man in Britain who has already contributed £21,000,000 to the Government, and asks: "Who would have thought it?"

The paper further asks for assurances that the small man will not be forced to spend his savings at the end of the war if he becomes unemployed.

### A.K.P. And Psychology

The "Yorkshire Post" waxes somewhat facetious about the decision of the Leeds City Council to start lessons in psychology for air-raid wardens.

The paper says that one way of dealing with hysterical people is to reduce them to temporary instability, and the paper asks if air-raid wardens are to take such cases into a quiet corner and psycho-analyse them on the spot.

The paper concludes by remarking that civilians fighting for themselves will be among the best fighters if German bombers place them in the front line.

## War Won't Stop Holidays

Hongkong To Have  
16 In 1940

In addition to a public holiday on Empire Day, which is fixed for Friday, May 24, Hongkong will have 15 general holidays in 1940—war or no war.

This Gazette announcement by the Colonial Secretary is yet another indication of the Colony's determination to maintain normal conditions in the face of wartime impositions.

The 15 general holidays are, of course, additional to the regular Sunday holidays. They are as follows:

New Year's Day,  
Chinese New Year's Day, Thursday, February 8,  
Good Friday, March 22,  
Easter Saturday and Easter Monday,  
Whit Monday, May 13,  
King's Birthday, Thursday, June 12.

First week-day in July, Monday, July 1,  
First Monday in August, Monday, August 5,  
First Monday in September, Monday, September 2,  
Double Tenth, Thursday, October 10,  
Armistice Day, Monday, November 11.

Christmas Day and Boxing Day. The Imports and Exports Department will be open for the purpose of revenue collection and issue of permits only from 9 a.m. to noon on all the above days except Sundays, Chinese New Year's Day, Good Friday, October 10, and Christmas Day.

## Tin Quota Fixed

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—The International Tin Committee, in a communiqué, announces that the quota for the first quarter of 1940 has been fixed at 120 per cent. of the standard tonnage.

## New Ambassador To Brussels

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
BRUSSELS, Dec. 8 (UP).—The new British Ambassador, Sir Pierlot Clephane, handed his credentials to King Leopold to-day and conferred with the King for over an hour.

Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam has been appointed to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council in succession to Mr. T. N. Chau, C.B.E.

## POST OFFICE

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

Christmas and New Year Cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents for 2 ounces, for all countries.

Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces.

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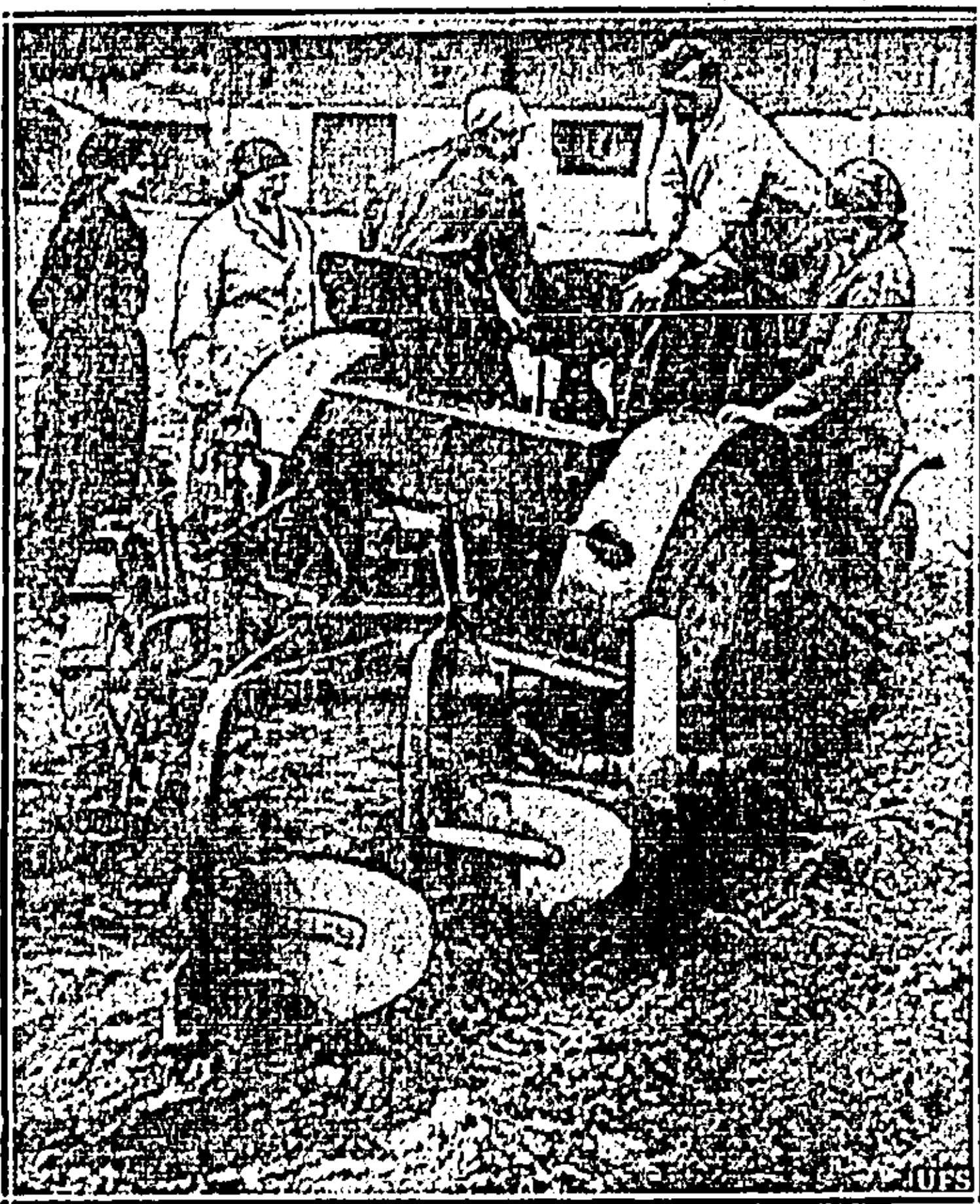
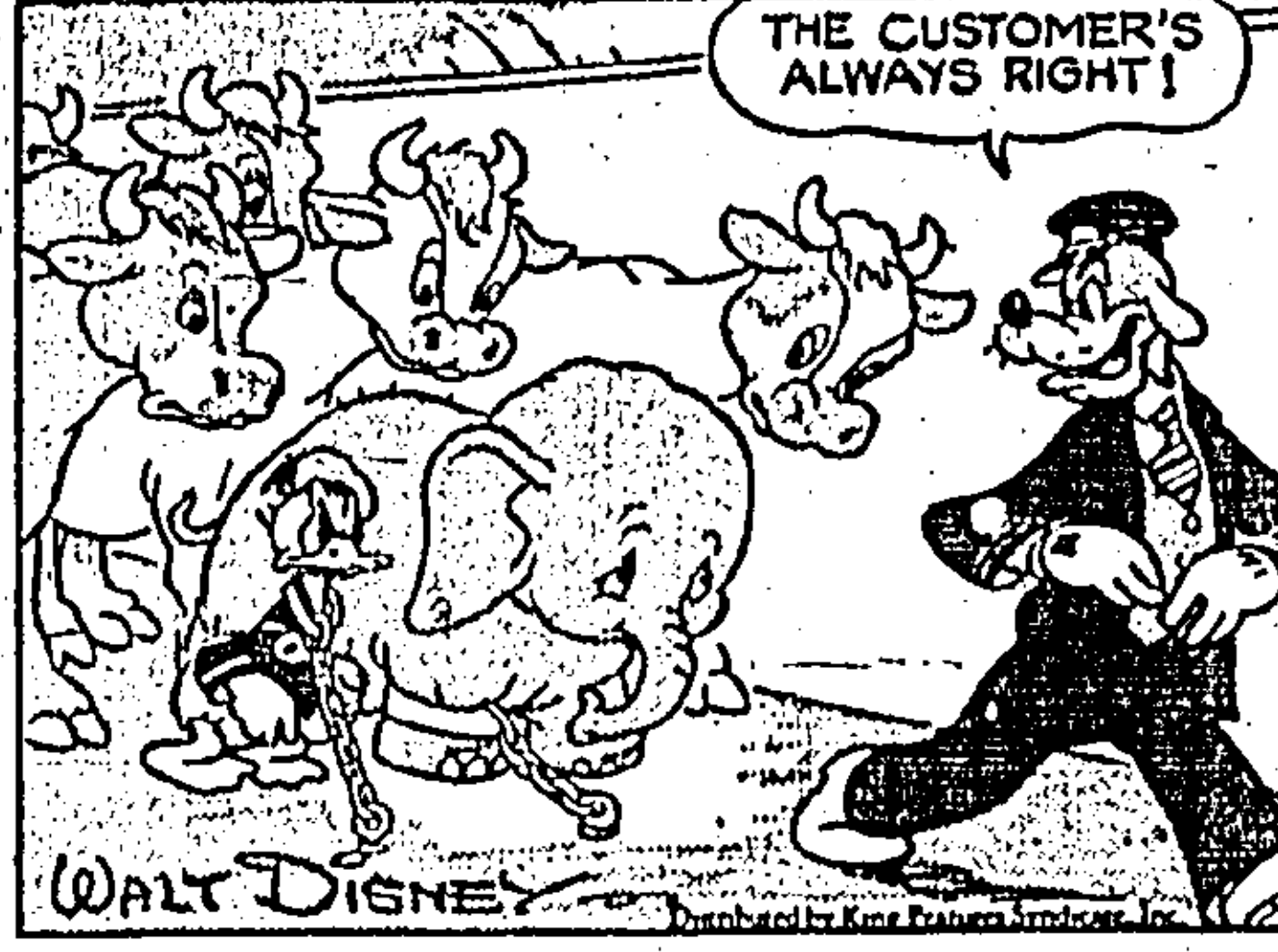
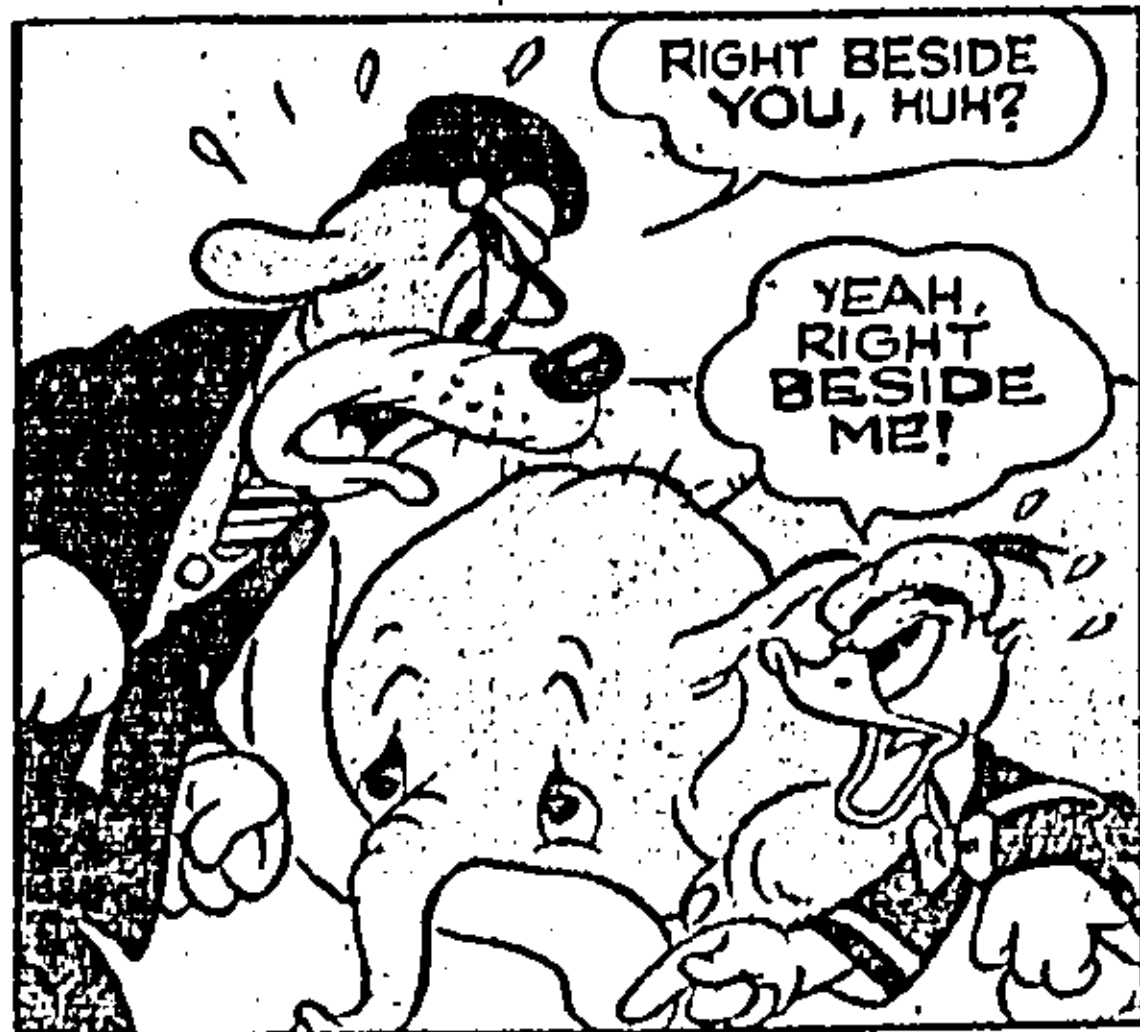
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—London date 29th November ..... Dec. 9.  
Shanghai ..... Dec. 9.  
Formosa and Swatow ..... Dec. 9.  
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways" Direct Service—San Francisco date 25th Nov. .... Dec. 10.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—London date 2nd Dec. .... Dec. 10.  
Amoy ..... Dec. 10.  
Calcutta and Straits ..... Dec. 10.  
Canton ..... Dec. 10.  
Haiphong ..... Dec. 10.  
Hankow and Fort Bayard ..... Dec. 10.  
Sundakan ..... Dec. 10.  
Shanghai and Amoy ..... Dec. 10.  
Straits and Saigon ..... Dec. 10.  
Straits ..... Dec. 11.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Dec. 11.  
Manila ..... Dec. 11.  
Straits ..... Dec. 11.  
Tientsin ..... Dec. 11.  
Shanghai ..... Dec. 12.  
Java and Manila ..... Dec. 12.  
Straits ..... Dec. 12.  
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date 6th December. .... Dec. 13.  
Canton ..... Dec. 13.  
Japan ..... Dec. 13.  
Manila ..... Dec. 13.  
Shanghai and Amoy ..... Dec. 13.  
Shanghai ..... Dec. 13.  
Straits ..... Dec. 13.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Dec. 14.  
Straits ..... Dec. 14.  
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon ..... Dec. 15.  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 10th November) ..... Dec. 15.  
Haiphong ..... Dec. 16.  
Straits ..... Dec. 16.  
Shanghai ..... Dec. 16.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Dec. 16.  
Straits and Manila ..... Dec. 16.  
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 13th November) ..... Dec. 20.  
Java and Manila ..... Dec. 20.  
Straits ..... Dec. 20.  
Rabat ..... Dec. 20.

**OUTWARD MAILS.**  
Saturday, Dec. 9  
Parcels only for Haiphong ..... 1 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Straits ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 17th December. .... K.P.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 9, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 9, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 9, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 11, 7.30 a.m.  
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 17th December. .... G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 9, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 9, 5.30 p.m.  
Sunday, Dec. 10  
Amoy ..... 9 a.m.  
Fort Bayard ..... 9 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 9 a.m.  
Fort Bayard ..... 9.00 a.m.  
Monday, Dec. 11  
Canton ..... 7.15 a.m.  
Bangkok ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Shanghai ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Canton ..... 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Dec. 12  
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th December. .... K.P.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 12, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 12, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 12, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 12, 7 p.m.  
Air Mail for Malaysia, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 18th December. .... K.P.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 12, 5 p.m.  
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Reg. .... Dec. 12, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 12, 7 p.m.  
Parcels only for Swatow ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Swatow and Formosa ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 1 p.m.  
Amoy ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 21st December. .... K.P.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 13, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 13, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 13, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 13, 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Dec. 14  
Sundakan ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Swatow and Formosa ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Friday, Dec. 15  
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Letters ..... Noon.  
Sunday, Dec. 17  
Amoy ..... 9 a.m.  
Japan ..... 9 a.m.  
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# DONALD DUCK



With men-folk in military service, these German women, somewhere in Germany, receive instruction in operation of tractor pulling "gang plow." Women are taking over many jobs normally accomplished by men.

## TO SOME GERMANS

### Poet-Laureate's Verses On The Pity Of War

THOUGH a few isolated poems referring to the war have already appeared in newspapers and journals, the first war-time verse to be issued between covers is by the Poet Laureate.

Mr. John Macfie's pamphlet contains about a hundred lines. Written in quatrains and published by Heinemann under the title of "Some Verses to Some Germans," it stresses, not the glory of war, but the pity of it. It pictures Britain and Germany momentarily covered by the storms of battle, yet essentially one in kinship by their contributions to the arts:

In that Humanity which makes us brother,  
In Art's annihilation of the night,  
Our lights have shone upon and  
blessed each other,  
Our very souls have given each  
other light.  
The pamphlet is, in essence, a letter

from any Briton with a love of the humanities in his nature to any German with like feelings, and in Macfie's characteristic way it reflects the English atmosphere and the English countryside, where "upon foot-paths feet the foxes go."

It looks forward to a time of better understanding:

Upon another morrow, if we strive,  
Our links of life, now broken, may unite,  
Not each for each but both for all alive,  
Opening the other shutters for more light.

### 'Gator Loose; Police Called

GAFFNEY.—City policemen admit they perform many unusual duties in their work, but the best yet was when they answered a call to arrest a live alligator. The alligator, a pet, had escaped his pen and was loose in the street. Police, with the help of firemen, got the job done.

## Two Americans In Three Say Let's Have Peace Talks Immediately BUT 50% BELIEVE U.S. SHOULD JOIN IN

NEW YORK.

AT THIS moment two out of every three Americans are in favour of an attempt to end the war and settle European problems by a peace conference.

One out of every two American, moreover, would be willing that the United States should take part in such a conference.

A Gallup poll has just conducted a survey of national opinion on these points and to-day announces the results of the voting by carefully balanced cross-sections of Americans throughout the country.

The questions asked and the replies were these:

- (1) Would you favour a conference of the leading nations of the world to try to end the present war and settle Europe's problems? The vote: "Yes," 69 per cent.; "No," 31 per cent.
- (2) If such a conference is called should the United States take part in it? The vote: "Yes," 50 per cent.; "No," 50 per cent.

In both these polls fewer than one person in ten had no opinion to express.

Dr. Gallup head of the American Institute of Public Opinion, says he found the attitude of the Americans poll on the question: "Should the United States, now stand firm together at any cost, prevent Hitler or Mussolini from taking any more territory at the expense of other nations?"

### Why Not Now?

Dr. Gallup adds the fear that the United States will be drawn into the war if it continues—a fear shared by 40 per cent. of all Americans—has something to do with this vote for a peace conference, but he stresses the fact that it does not reflect any fear that Britain and France will be defeated.

More than four out of five Americans have declared in another Gallup poll that they expect Britain and France to win. Nor does it constitute any sort of endorsement of the peace proposals offered by Hitler. Eighty-two per cent. have voted their conviction that Germany is responsible for the war and after his Reichstag speech this month 86 per cent. rejected Hitler's thesis that since Po-

land was beaten, Britain and France had no further reason for continuing the war against him.

What to-day's striking vote does show is that Americans are coming to realise—20 years after they refused to follow President Wilson into the League of Nations—that world peace is indivisible and that the strength and wealth of the United States confer a responsibility on them which goes beyond the Western hemisphere.

### Change Times

There have been some interesting, if little noticed, revelations of a changed attitude lately. For example, little less than a year ago, soon after the Munich Pact had been signed, the magazine "Fortune" took a national poll on the question: "Should the United States, now stand firm together at any cost, prevent Hitler or Mussolini from taking any more territory at the expense of other nations?"

The answer was "Yes," 56.3 per cent.; "No," 31 per cent.; "Don't know," 12.7 per cent.

This vote admittedly might not be reproduced now when Americans understand better what the consequences of resisting aggression are. But the feeling that the United States should take part in a movement to bring peace and security to the world is unquestionably alive and is almost certainly increasing here.

It turned up in the Gallup poll at the beginning of the war when 63 per cent. of Americans voted in favour of United States participation in an international police force movement. It is a factor in much of the sentiment in favour of aiding Britain and France with supplies.

### Security Gono

This sentiment fluctuates and declines, as it has done recently, when objectives are obscured and the old hope for sanctuary in isolation arises again. But it has become plainer lately that there will be no security for the United States if Germany wins this war. When, after the Czechoslovakian grab last year, Hitler announced that he had no further territorial demands to make on Europe, 82 per cent. of the voters told Gallup's investigators that they did not believe him.

When Dr. Gallup asked, "Do you think Germany will start a war against the United States sooner or later if he defeats the Allies?" 63 per cent. answered "Yes."

Another question put was: Which country or countries do you consider responsible for causing the present war? The replies were: Germany, 82 per cent.; England and France, 3 per cent.; Poland, 1 per

## Polish Pilots for British Forces Soon

POLISH and other pilots and mechanics may soon be enlisted in the British forces.

An Order in Council makes this possible.

There is, however, no intention of forming a Foreign Legion, says the Ministry of Information, announcing that the Order was made under the Emergency Powers (Defence) Act.

There is to be no limit to the number of aliens who may serve together at any one time in any corps or unit.

### Exports As Officers

It is understood that the object of the new regulation is to enable the three defence departments to recommend the grant of commissions during the war to nationals of neutral or allied States, or to enter or enlist them in the forces when, from the special qualifications they may possess, this appears desirable. It is not intended to commission or enlist aliens on a large scale.

Individuals of foreign nationality who wish to join can register at the nearest employment exchange.

Signatories to the Versailles Treaty, 3 per cent.; All others, 5 per cent.; No opinion, 8 per cent.

### Should U.S. Fight?

These questions were asked and answered:

"Should we send our Army and Navy abroad to fight Germany?" "Yes," said 10 per cent.; "No," said 84 per cent.

When this question was asked four weeks later the "Yes" replies fell to 5 per cent.

Also on September 18 this question was asked:

"If it looks within the next few months as if England and France might be defeated, should the United States declare war on Germany and send our troops abroad?" "Yes," 44 per cent.; "No," 56 per cent.

Four weeks later, when this question was again asked, 34 per cent. answered "Yes."

President Roosevelt's popularity at the latest poll taken rose to 61 per cent. He is now almost as popular as he was after his election in 1936.

A new sense of closeness to Europe and a new understanding of international responsibilities is abroad in the United States now, and that is the main significance of this large vote for United States participation in a peace conference.

## New Cancer Hope From Canada

LONDON.

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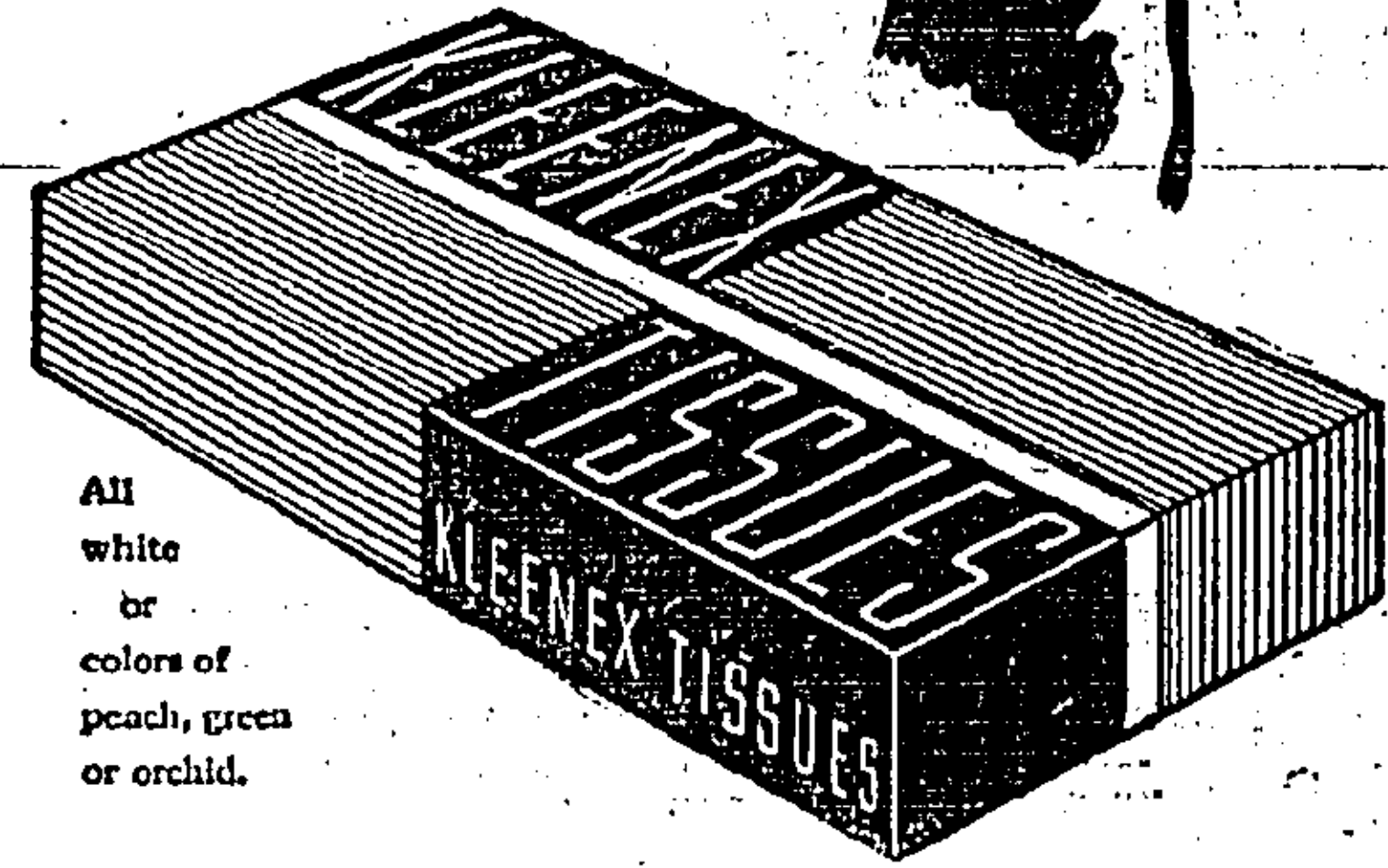
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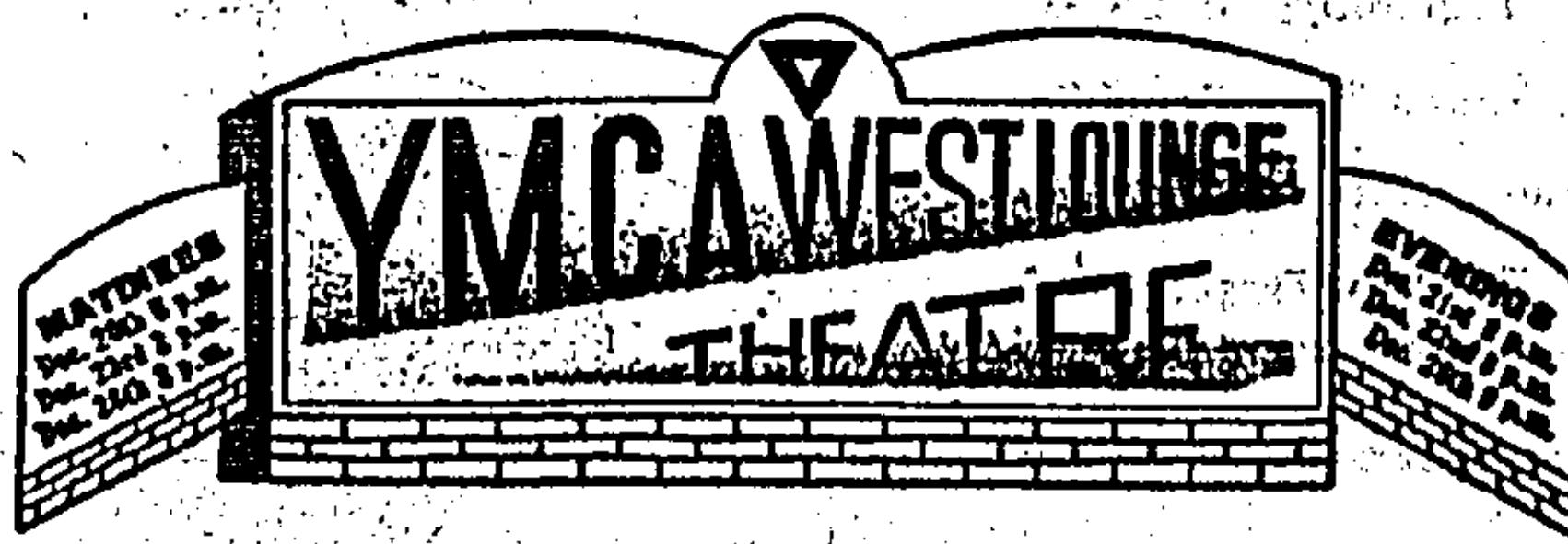
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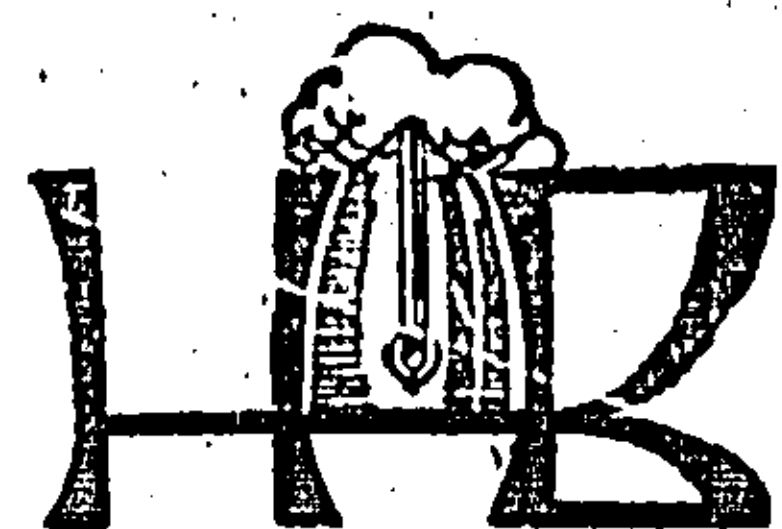


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It is the story of the activities of the Nanking International Relief

in the face of one of the greatest tragedies of modern times, which has carried on its unobtrusive work of mercy against tremendous odds.

#### Human Cost of Relief

The Committee's report, written by its Chairman, M. S. Bates of Nanking University, is before me, says a Correspondent. It is a masterpiece of understatement, like the accounts Mr. Bates used to give of his humanitarian work in such widely scattered localities as Iran, Persia, and the valley of the Yangtze.

It is a mass of figures concerning

bags of rice, clothing, bedding, and other aids supplied to a destitute and terror-stricken populace. But in one brief paragraph of the foreword, the human significance of all these figures peaks through.

The report, its author explains, "is a plain exposition of material work done, with some necessary description of the condition which influenced the procedure of relief. The full story of bags of rice is a composite of individual tragedies to be counted by the hundred thousand in Nanking alone of which not one can be represented here. Only when such matters affect a working programme or enter into financial accounts, are they reckoned with. No book-keeping enters the human costs of relief. Nor the services of relief to the spirits of those in need and despair."

#### A Gigantic Task

The Nanking Committee was organized late in November, 1937, just in time to cope with the tragic situation which culminated in the taking of China's capital city by the Japanese on Dec. 12 and 13. All neutral observers are unanimous in describing the excesses of the Japanese soldiery on this occasion as unparalleled in modern times for licence and cruelty.

The Committee, foreseeing the danger of such a thing, succeeded in setting up what was known as a safety zone within the far-flung walls of old Nanking. The Chinese forces promised to evacuate the area and the Japanese stated that they would not intentionally attack the place, if evacuated. On this precarious basis, the safety zone was set up.

About 250,000 Chinese took refuge in the zone, and upon the Com-

#### R.A.F. Losses

Forty-eight casualties were given in the Air Ministry Casualty Communique No. 4 as follows:

Killed in action—Corporal R. W. Ewens, Aircraftman D. J. John, Aircraftman W. A. Soanes.  
Wounded in action—Flight-Sergeant F. H. Stubbs, Sergeant J. Vickers.  
Killed on active service—Acting Pilot Officer F. A. Bishop, Sergeant J. M. C. Bryden, Aircraftman G. H. Butler, Acting Pilot Officer E. A. Curran, Sergeant A. D. Greenfield, Leading Aircraftman A. B. Hayes, Pilot Officer D. Hill, Aircraftman R. Malcolm, Sergeant B. Mullin, Acting Pilot Officer J. Ralph, Acting Flight-Lieutenant C. P. Robinson, Pilot Officer A. S. C. Rose, Pilot Officer J. Rosolaky, Pilot Officer the Hon. P. A. G. St. Clair-Erskine, Flying Officer J. A. B. Somerville, Leading Aircraftman A. R. B. Stewart.  
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Died on active service—Aircraftman F. A. Bowyer, Aircraftman B. P. Collins, Aircraftman H. St. Gray, Leading Aircraftman R. Foxley, Aircraftman J. J. Walsh, Aircraftman F. W. Wannell, Flight-Lieutenant G. S. White.  
Previously reported missing, now reported killed in action—Pilot Officer G. W. Brant.

mittee devolved the main responsibility of housing, feeding and gradually rehabilitating them.

#### Mostly Americans

The Committee at first had a broadly international character, with German, Danish, British and American members. But the exigencies of war and politics gradually removed most of the non-American members. Eventually one Chinese and one Japanese took places on the membership. About 1,500 volunteer Chinese helped carry on the work of the Committee. Members of the Committee's staff were at times subjected to arrest, and worse.

But the Committee carried on. Some of the camps for refugees established within the zone were wiped out by the military. The Committee was at one time forbidden by the authorities to purchase grain for the refugees. Throughout the Nanking area, there was unnecessary destruction of property by useless burning before the crisis and by extensive plundering and burning thereafter. On farms, one resident in every seven families was killed, injured or taken away. But in the midst of destruction, the Committee carried on.

About \$500,000, supplied by the Nanking Municipal Government and by various relief organisations, principally American, was spent by the Committee to make the lot of

## Aluminium For Germany

### Nazis Must Import All Bauxite

WHEN a unit of the British Navy recently swooped on a merchantman, relieved her of 15,500 tons of contraband alumina bound for Germany, to be delivered to the Third Reich as a result of the seizure was a telling punch.

Germany, the largest consumer of aluminium (which is vital to her aircraft industry) among world Powers in 1938, had to import almost all her supplies of bauxite, the ore from which the metal is obtained.

Compared with a total of nearly 1,200,000 tons imported last year, rather less than 18,000 tons were home-produced in Germany.

About 60 per cent. of these imports came from Yugo-Slavia and Hungary.

#### Serious Shortage

Important supplementary supplies of bauxite were imported from the Dutch East Indies (100,000 tons), Italy last year exported only 90,000 tons to Germany.

The Nazi Air Force is, therefore, faced with a considerable immediate reduction of her resources of aluminium, which is of course, universally employed in the construction of high-speed aircraft.

## R.A.F. Answer Death-bed Call

MRS. SYBIL HUGHES, of Treolaw, near Pontypool, was taken dangerously ill, and her relatives wondered how they could bring her husband, Aircraftman John Hughes, to her side from France.

The Society of Friends at Treolaw telephoned the R.A.F. Record Office. Soon after Aircraftman Hughes was summoned by the commanding officer in France and told to prepare for a dash home. He was rushed to a specially chartered airplane and in 30 hours arrived home. His wife had died a short time before.

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## PLAN FOR EVACUATION OF SWEDISH CAPITAL

SWEDEN is planning the evacuation of Stockholm in case of emergency, cables a Correspondent in the Swedish capital. It is learned authoritatively that the Government will publish its plans during the next few days.

Accommodation in the country is already being sought. The Government will, as far as possible, allow evacuees to choose their destination and form of transport. For others billets will be chosen. School children will be evacuated in classes with their teachers. There is already a national scheme to teach non-combatants in a possible conflict essential trades which thousands of people are learning voluntarily.

## THE SWISS SOLDIER LINKS IT

BERNE.—Switzerland's Army of half a million, much to its delight, eats food prepared by some of Europe's finest chefs.

During mobilisation the Army issued calls to thousands of Swiss living abroad, including hundreds of Swiss chefs and pastry cooks who rule the kitchens of some of Europe's best known restaurants.

The culinary experts are doing the same thing in the Army they did in civilian life—cooking. They were so distributed through the Army that almost every outfit has at least one known cook at work.

Furthermore, Army regulations have been relaxed sufficiently to let them try a little variation now and then in the Army menus.

Many a soldier, home on leave for Sundays, is asking his Swiss wife to learn how to cook dishes he first tasted in the Army.

Others in many a European capital may be growling about their food these war days, but the Swiss Army has few complaints.

### Glossary For A.R.P. Workers

Here are some definitions from an A.R.P. glossary given in the bulletin of Norwich A.R.P. workers:

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### Power Of Empire

MR. MENZIES, the Australian Prime Minister, has reiterated as the Empire's watchword the statement made in 1936 by Mr. Stanley Baldwin that Britain's frontier is on the Rhine.

The assertion applies equally to the whole Empire, as Mr. Menzies points out. If England falls, the whole Empire falls with her.

Each Dominion and Colony is fighting for the same cause as the Motherland—that cause all the world with a free Press knows.

Testimony to what the British Empire is has come before the world from every corner of that Empire. Cabinet Ministers and representatives of the Dominions and India recently assembled in London for the Imperial War Conference to consider with members of Britain's Cabinet how best each nation in the British Commonwealth could contribute to the common task of vindicating the cause of freedom.

The Dominions are not suffering from British exploitation. Each determines its own policy. Their millions of people, their great resources are on the Motherland's side because, as the Prime Minister of Canada has put it, they are convinced that only by the destruction of Hitlerism can the nations of the British Commonwealth continue to enjoy their present liberties and the world be saved from a descent to barbarism. Hence, we know, were cherished in the dictatorships that the Empire would never again stand together in war. These delusions are gone with the snows of yesterday.

For a speedy and decisive issue to the war this concentration of power is of the first importance. The vast resources of the British Empire are already organised in the common cause. Economic co-operation is one of the most important objectives now attained. All the Colonies are doing their utmost to help with raw materials and foodstuffs. The prevailing spirit throughout the lands which owe allegiance to the King is that expressed by Mr. Fraser, the Acting Prime Minister of New Zealand, when he promised every man and every inch of the productive capacity of his country to the service of the Allies. Expansion of Dominions is being strenuously pressed on. Their mineral wealth and their developing manufacturing capacity will be of great value in the preparation of that collaborative effort by Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom to produce an Air Force of overwhelming strength. The world-wide association of free peoples in the British Commonwealth has the men, material and machinery to put into the field fighting power which can ensure the triumph of freedom.

# They are Repeating History

NOW we know what the Russo-German Pact portended.

The explanation of one of the most astounding examples of a lightning volte face is just territorial greed and the prospect of loot. Presumably the greatest political crime of the Eighteenth Century is to be repeated in the Twentieth.

Instead of Frederick the Great we have Adolf Hitler; instead of the Empress Catherine, Joseph Stalin; while Hitler has to double the part of the successor of Maria Theresa. Well, he has all the lusty appetite of that lady but not the "conscience" which so amused her partners in the crime, especially the Semiramis or Messalina of the North.

THERE is nothing new, therefore, in a Russo-German Agreement, as some people seemed to suppose, and nothing new in the baseness of its origin. The floor is strewn with the remnants of such agreements, which implies that they have not been lasting. What would indeed be new would be a Russo-German Pact inspired by a bon motif.

Teuton and Slav have been uneasy neighbours in spite of long and close acquaintance and in spite of the steady infiltration of German culture into Russia in Tsarist days.

Their temperaments are always fundamentally different and often opposed. But the superior commercial aptitude of the Germans gave them a powerful standing in Russia before the war; and German influence was very strong at the Russian Court, owing to the family alliances of the Romanoffs with the Hohenzollerns and other German Royal and Princely Houses.

For 20 years Bismarck made it the cornerstone of his policy to keep on good terms with Russia. It was one of his favourite maxims that the wire between Berlin and St. Petersburg must never on any consideration be cut. Not active help but Russian acquiescence was what he needed, and he was ready to pay the price. In 1893 the price was a pledge to send Prussian troops as and when required to help Russia to put down an insurrection of the Poles in Russian Poland.

In those days there were Germans—even Prussians—who dared stand up for Freedom, and Bismarck's pro-Russian policy was widely execrated. He paid no heed and held on his way, for what he secured in return was a free hand to settle the question once and for all as to whether Prussia or Austria should be the leader of the German States.

That vital part of the problem of German unification was solved on the field of Sedan. What remained received its irrevocable solution at Sedan, Russia being still quiescent and not at all loth to see the fall of the French Empire. So Bismarck found himself "over the mountains," and had nothing more to fear.

Then came the period of the Dreikaiserbund, a loose association of the three monarchs of Russia, Germany and Austria—"the Northern Conspiracy," as Disraeli once called it. Germany was now well on top in Europe, and Bismarck made her hegemony even more secure by drawing Austria close to her. The Habsburgs had not abated their ambitions; they looked to the Balkans in the field for Austrian expansion. Russia did the same. Both hoped for the major of the Sick Man's possessions. But Austria by herself could make no head against Russia, she gave no pledge of help, as she was mad enough to do in 1914. Russia was cautiously kept in play.

IN 1892, after his dismissal, Bismarck looked back on the games he had played on the European checker-board, and wrote:

"The Prince (i.e., himself) has never been of the opinion that the support of Russia's plans should be the business of German diplomats, but he has held the view that it was not for Germany to hamper Russia in carrying out her projects. Herein lies a great difference. The business of blocking the Russian advance naturally belongs to those powers whose interests would directly suffer from Russia's advance."

by  
**J. B. FIRTH**

He would have been well content to see Great Britain and France, especially the former, embroil themselves with Russia—as they had done in Crimean days—by espousing the cause of Turkey. Each would have weakened the other and Germany might have snatched something handsome in the way of compensation.

During the long crisis which preceded the Congress of Berlin, Bismarck neither helped nor hindered. He watched and waited. At the Congress itself he was at his peak. "Do not force me to choose between Russia and Austria-Hungary," he whispered to Gortchakoff. He was a juggler, as his successor said, who could keep five balls in the air at once when no one else could keep more than two or three.

Absolutely realist and cynical: he encouraged Powers to quarrel if their falling out made easier the path of a future German advance. Germany was on the march.

Bismarck wanted no concert of Europe which was Mr. Gladstone's "ideal" in foreign policy, and when in 1890 Gladstone's fleeting success over the Dulcigno incident had been forgotten Bismarck neutralised the effect of it by persuading the Three Emperors to sign a Convention at Berlin providing for the closing of the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles to "Great Powers" only. That was a handsome sop to throw to Russia and it cost nothing, for Germany's interest in Constantinople at that time was small.

His secret "Reinsurance Treaty" was truly Hitlerian. By it he had pledged Germany to aid Russia in re-establishing a new regime in Bulgaria, and to give Russia moral and diplomatic support if she decided to close the entrance to the Black Sea.

This celebrated example of the art of double-crossing in high politics was kept a close secret from his Austrian ally for many years, and was twice renewed. But in 1890 its renewal was refused by Germany, much to Russia's astonishment.

Refused by Germany, but not by Bismarck. By that time the pilot had been dropped and Caprivi was Chancellor in his place, with the dark and sinister Holstein installed as chief expert adviser on policy in the German Foreign Office. This refusal marked an important turning-point in Germany's international policy. Her rulers had begun to look to the East. The Drang nach Osten had already been mapped out.

GERMANY was taking a much keener interest in the prospective distribution of Turkish provinces, and she was prepared to assume a more active role in thwarting Russia's advance towards the supreme goal of her aspirations for centuries—Constantinople.

Twenty years later, when the Germans began to send military missions to Turkey, German influence had become paramount with the Sultan, and the Baghdad Railway scheme was on the road to completion. Such a striking change in the temper of Russo-German relations was one of the most important factors in the international situation. But the hands which in the troubled and tortuous interval had controlled Germany's policy were not the cool, steady hands of Bismarck, Caprivi, Hohenlohe, Buelow, Bethmann-Hollweg, nor one of them—not even Buelow, for all versatility and earnestness—could hold a candle to Bismarck, and all, in turn, were hampered by the restless vanity of a Kaiser who wished to be Kaiser and Chancellor too.

Germany, already committed to the pursuit of world-power, and that not in one direction only, but in many, was astride the path of Russia in Turkey and the Far East. It stands on record how the Kaiser and his Chancellor encouraged Russia to overthrow the pretensions of Japan to dominion in the Far East and egg her on to fight a war which was not only ruinous to her military prestige, but inflamed every revolutionary activity in Russia with renewed hopes of overthrowing the Tsardom.

During the years that Russia painfully and slowly recovered Germany kept Europe on tenterhooks.

When Germany for the first time got her heel on Russia's neck, she dictated the Peace of Brest-Litovsk, compared with which the "Dictat of Versailles" was almost mild, and she camped her armies of occupation in the heartlands of the Ukraine and the Crimea, with full intention of drawing permanent tribute to corn, cattle and coal.

HAS Russia forgotten that incident? I do not think so. Is Stalin persuaded that Hitler has renounced his old and earliest dream of security?

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Shucks—now we'll have to remoppor that stuff for another day!"

## ISLANDS IN THE NEWS

THE Finnish-owned Aaland Islands in the Baltic—home of the world's largest wind-jammers—are in the news.

Statistically they are not impressive. The group of 300 islands has a total of 515 square miles. The population—mostly Swedish-speaking—numbers only 27,180 people.

But whoever holds the Islands holds the key to the Baltic as surely as Gibraltar is the key to the Mediterranean.

A famous German strategist once summed up the position thus:

"Ownership of the Aaland Islands is a supreme strategic question for Germany. They not only flank and protect the entrance to the Gulf of Finland, Leningrad and Russia's most important harbours, but also prevent an enemy entering the Gulf of Bothnia."

## NEXT ON THE LIST? Thumbnail Story Of Rumania

Rumania is one of the world's principal corn-producing countries, and the chief food of the people there is corn meal. It is usually boiled as mush and called "mamaliga." A great many of the poorer peasants haven't much else to eat. When fortunate, they put butter on it, and call it "mamaliga cu unt." On special occasions they eat it with fried onions, and then it's delicious "mamaliga cu ceapa."

A few years ago when the world economic crisis was at its height Titulescu, still Rumania's leading diplomat, gave a rousing interview to a group of journalists, saying Rumania would have to economise. Everybody would have to go on a diet of "corn meal and onions," he declared. It would have made many a peasant's month water. It sounded like a Sunday dinner.

"Branza cu smetana" is a delightful and widely used dish. Branza in this case is white cottage cheese and smetana is a sort of sweet cream of the consistency of thick molasses. This is a dessert used before the final desert and coffee. In a good Rumanian meal there is a whole series of desserts.

As in all Balkan lands, sour milk is a staple Rumanian food. Many Rumanian cities abound in "milkeries," where one can get very cheap, wholesome vitamin-rich, boiled sweet milk, artificially coloured milk, eggs and bread. Many of these shops are conducted by Bulgarians.

A large part of Bucharest's vegetables are raised by Bulgarian gardeners. They lease land near the city, live in profit-sharing colonies directed by a chief who gives to each member his part, work extremely hard, and go home late each fall to spend the winter with their families.

Those who remember the joint Austro-Prussian attack on Denmark in the early sixties of last century will call to mind that soon after they had overcome the Danish resistance they turned their weapons against one another. Something of the same kind may happen again.

THE Aaland Islands in the wrong hands would be a permanent danger to a German Fleet in the Baltic, and to ore transports from Sweden to Germany.

"The Islands also control the important Finnish harbours of Raumo, Hango and Abo. They are also stepping-stones from the Finnish mainland to Sweden's capital, Stockholm."

No wonder that in her negotiations with Finland Russia has sought control of these important strategic islands.

These little black dots in the Baltic are a vital part of Stalin's dream—domination of the Baltic.

As successor to the Tsars—by a rather indirect line, of course—the present occupier of the Kremlin also seems to have a hankering after the territories which were formerly part of the old Russian Empire. Conquest of Eastern Poland was the first step. Finland and the Aaland Islands are next on the list.

Collapse of Imperial Russia freed Finland, which then became an independent republic. But for some time ownership of the Aaland Islands was undecided.

Finland claimed them. So did Sweden. The matter was referred to the League of Nations and the Finns won the toss.

By treaty the Aaland Islands were to remain a "demilitarised" zone, but so was the Rhineland for that matter.

AS the marching feet of Hitler's soldiers beat their monotonous tattoo on the war drums of Europe, Finland became alarmed and began re-fortifying her Aaland Islands. Hitler had spoken so often of the "drive to the East" that an eventual clash between Germany and Russia seemed inevitable. Finland knew that Germany's first move in such a war would be to seize these vital islands and so bottle up the Russian fleet.

Of course Russia is also well aware of these German designs. That is why Stalin is taking no chances with "Comrade" Hitler. He is determined to forestall any German move in the Baltic by jumping in first and staking a prior claim to the Aaland Islands. Across the Baltic chessboard Hitler and Stalin sit facing each other.

The Aaland Islands are just a pawn in the game. Nobody asks the inhabitants, who scrape a poor living out of the sandy soil, what they think.

But in that respect they are in the same position as the inhabitants of all strategic islands.

HARRY GREGSON





KOWLOON WEDDING. Group photograph taken after the recent wedding at the Kowloon Union Church of Mr. S. W. Hall and Miss Jean Fraser.—*Ming Yuen.*

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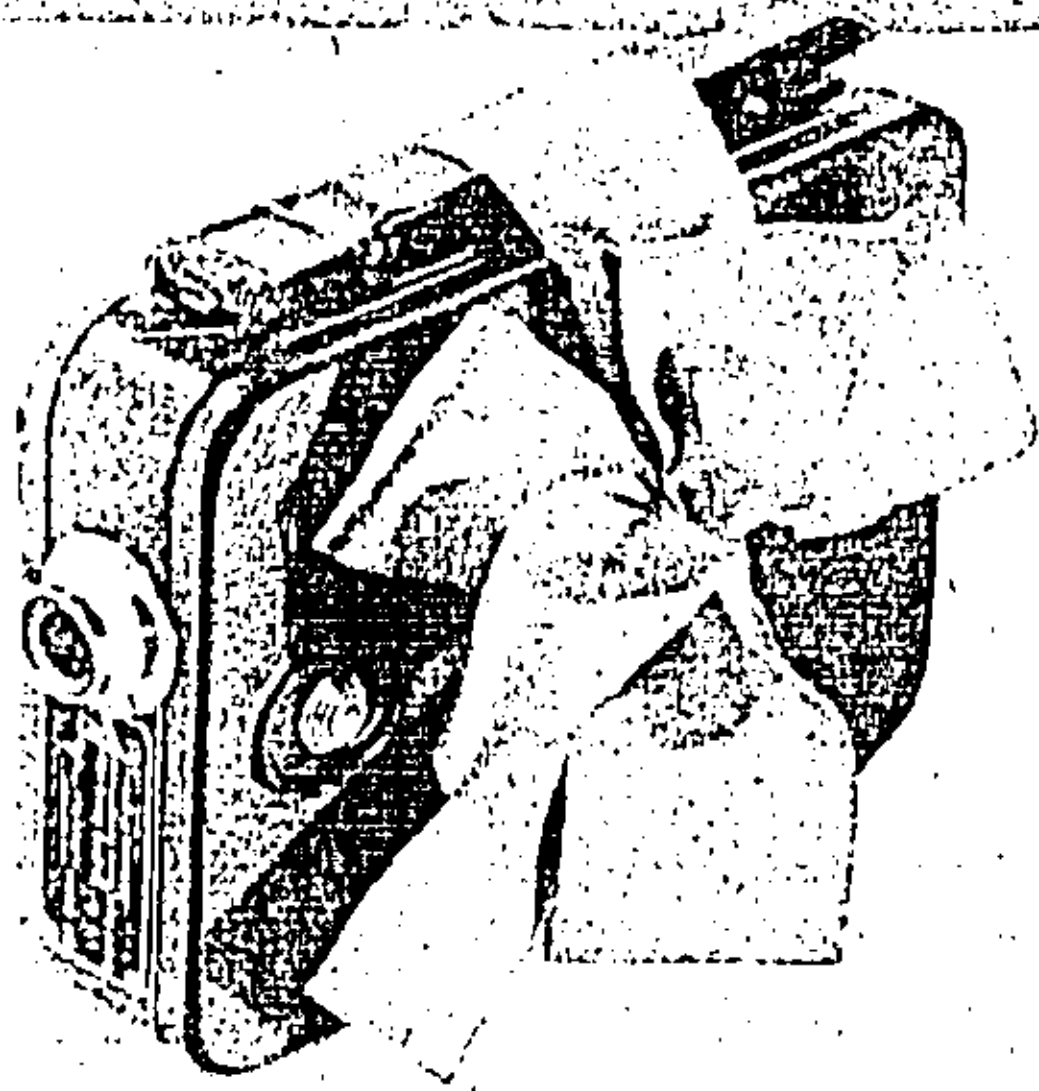
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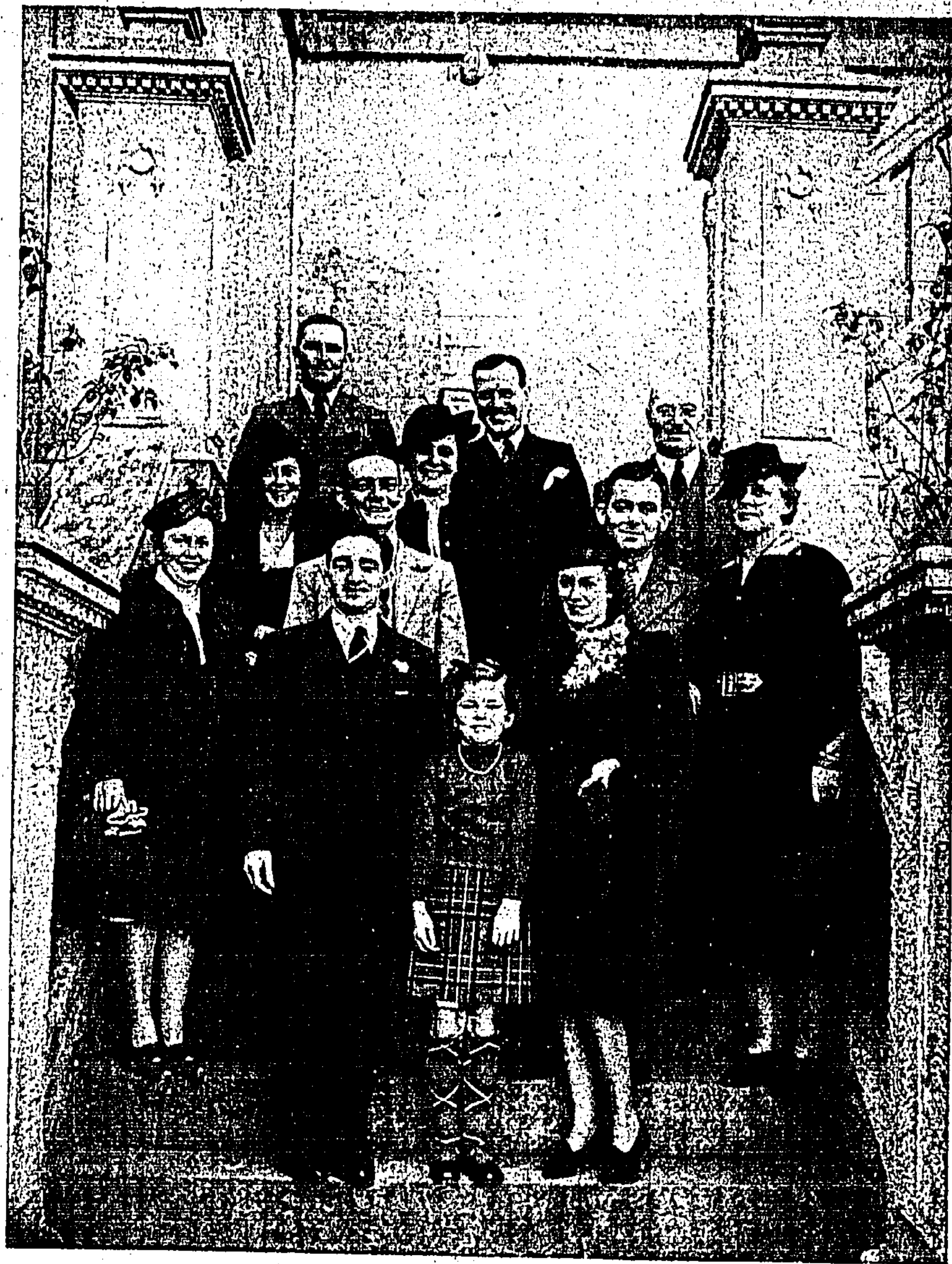
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CUTTING THE BRIDAL CAKE. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Potter cut the wedding cake at the reception held shortly after their recent wedding.—*Ming Yuen.*



HAPPY BRIDAL GROUP. This photograph was taken after the recent marriage at St. John's Cathedral of Mr. J. E. Potter, of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, and Miss Norah Mary Huson.—*Ming Yuen.*



CANADIANS WED. Group photograph taken after the wedding at the Registrar's Office of Mr. L. J. Nairn, Second Purser of the Empress of Canada, and Miss Anita C. All, beauty specialist aboard the same liner.—*Ming Yuen.*



BRIDAL ATTENDANTS. Miss Alison Fisher with Moira Cameron and Daphne Fraser who attended Miss Jean Fraser at her wedding to Mr. S. W. Hall.—*Ming Yuen.*

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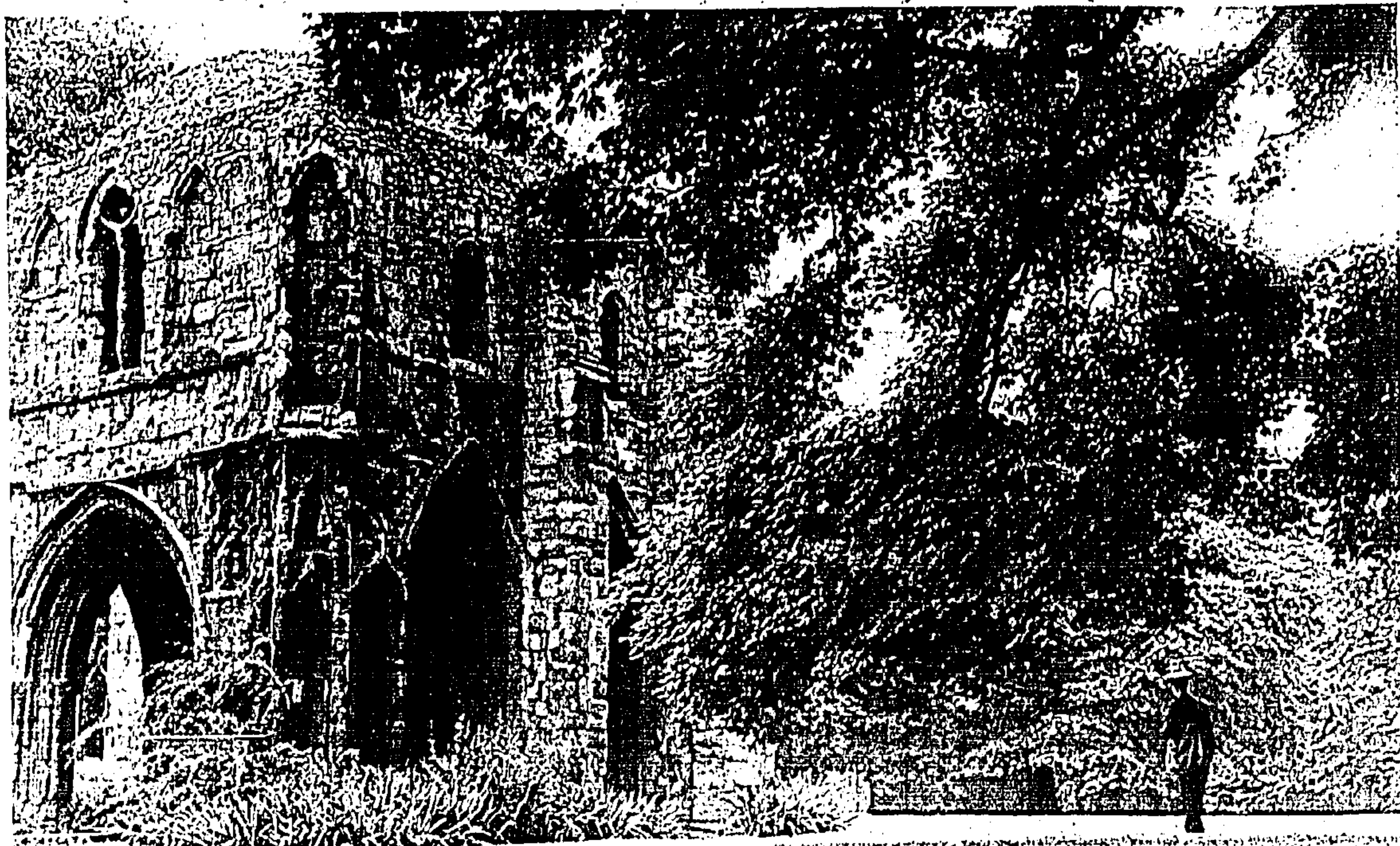
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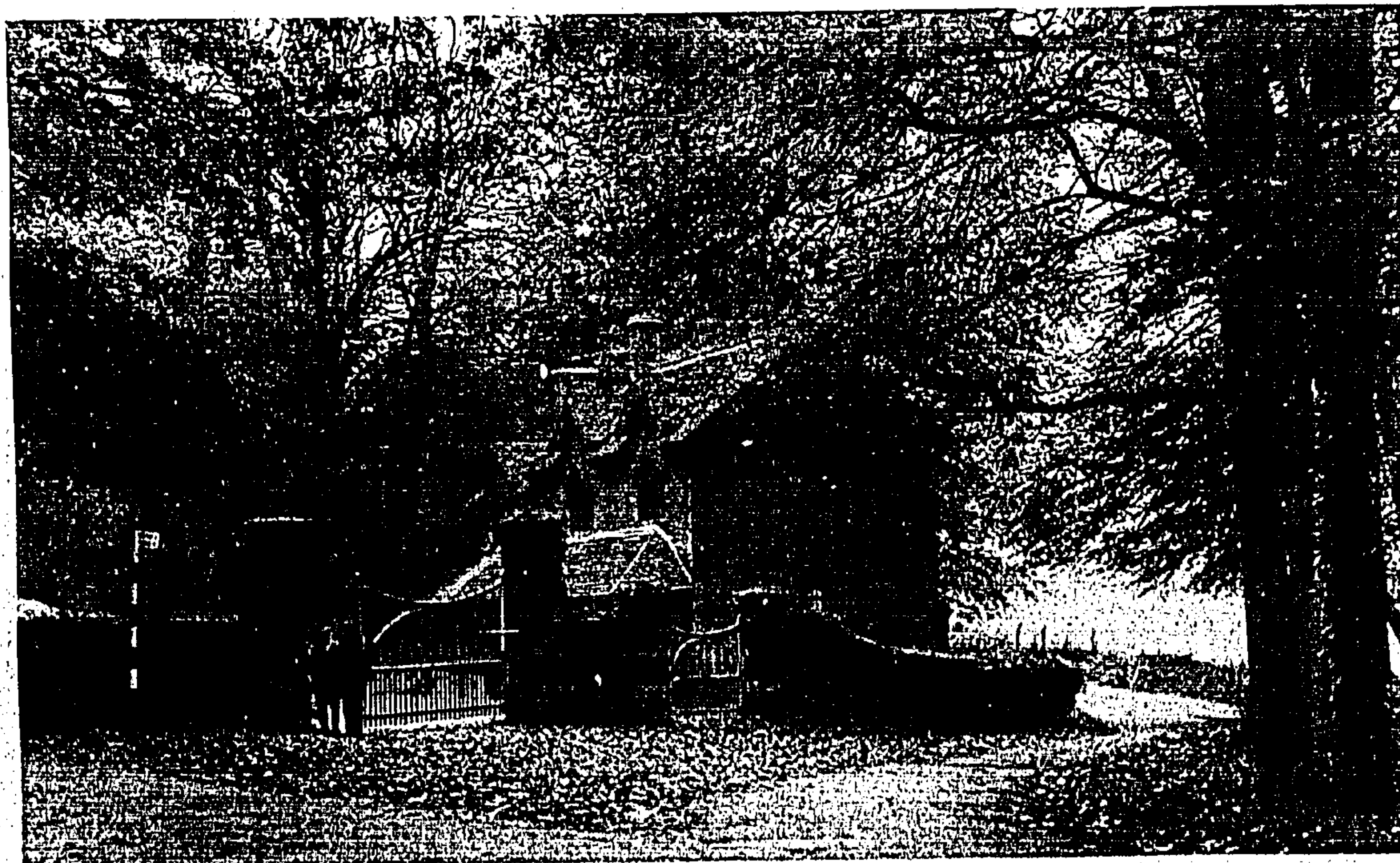
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## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

### Moscow Claims Of Success

MOSCOW, Dec. 8 (UP).—A Red Army communiqué states that on the Murmansk front Soviet troops advanced 10 kilometres and are now 45 kilometres south of Petsamo.

It is reported that they seized 930 seven-millimetre guns and 37 automatic rifles. The retreating Finns left numerous wounded and 300 frozen bodies.

Four officers of two planes which were shot down were captured.

In a sector of the Karelian Isthmus, Red troops are marching along the Vuoksi water system eight to 12 kilometres north of the River Taipaleenjo.

In the western sector of the Karelian Isthmus, Soviet troops advanced nine kilometres to occupy Kirki, Uskirkko and Naantajarvi, on the Viborg railroad.

Bad weather again rendered the air force inoperative.

### BRITAIN ATTACKED

Japanese Statement Issued In Peiping

Peiping, Dec. 8. An attack on Britain, in the course of which he is reported to have said that "should we people in the East desire to continue our existence we must rise and drive out the malicious influence of Britain from East Asia," was made by the Japanese military spokesman here before a group of Chinese journalists to-day.

The spokesman is quoted by the Japanese-controlled Chinese press as having declared: "Britain now possesses 40 per cent. of the world's total financial resources and is still not satisfied. She is trying to grab privileges everywhere."

"Under cover of the League of Nations she tries to oust any country which shows the slightest indication of not observing her wishes."

"A number of countries, the Chungking Government included, are still willing, however, to co-operate with Britain, who treats every country in the same manner, even the United States, which has the same language and people of the same racial stock."

"Britain won the last war with the financial backing of the United States; but the result was that she dishonoured her loan obligations instead and enlarged her markets in North America and competed with American products."

"Are Britain's intrigues not frightful?"

"Britain used her influence with the Chungking Government to prolong the Sino-Japanese hostilities and to exhaust Japan's national strength in order to reap the benefits for herself. The Kuomintang regime failed to understand her intrigues, with the result that hostilities could not be concluded and peace could not be realised."

"There is no way out except to overthrow Britain. Being journalists, I hope you will remember this and introduce Britain's tricks to the Chinese people."

The spokesman was also quoted as saying that he had graduated from an American University and had stayed abroad for seven years. He added: "Therefore I am well-informed regarding world events."—*Reuter*.

### To Avoid Danger Areas

Rome, Dec. 8. The Dutch liner *Christiaan Huygens*, 10,000 tons, left Genoa last night for the Dutch East Indies, having embarked 1,000 passengers who travelled overland from Holland.—*Reuter Special*.

**Wrecked Crew Saved**  
London, Dec. 8. Twenty-five members of the *Louis Scheid* crew were landed this morning by a breeches buoy rigged after heavy seas had driven the *Louis Scheid* so close to the shore that lifeboats were unable to approach.

At 8 o'clock this morning rescue work was proceeding.—*United Press*.

**Belgian Ship's Mishap**  
London, Dec. 8. The Belgian steamer *Louis Seld*, carrying 64 survivors of the *Talandoen*, ran ashore in the English Channel. Lifeboats which went to her assistance took the survivors to an English port.

The captain stated that he was uncertain whether a mine or a U-boat sank the ship.—*Reuter*.

**Wrecked Off Nova Scotia**  
Ottawa, Dec. 7. Naval headquarters announce nine lives are believed to have been lost in the sinking of a British merchantman (name not given) off Nova Scotia.

The victims died of exposure after their lifeboat had capsized.—*Reuter*.

**Lifeboats' Good Work**  
London, Dec. 8. The work of lifeboats in the British Isles has increased since the

# ITALY WARNS SOVIET OFF THE BALKANS

## NO INTERFERENCE TO BE TOLERATED IN DANUBE BASIN ALSO

The Fascist Grand Council in a communiqué issued after yesterday's deliberations at Venice, stated a clear warning to the Soviet that Russia will be unable to apply the same methods to the Balkans and the Danube basin as she applied to the Baltic states and to Finland.

Italy, states the Council, will permit no interference in the Balkans, and though the Soviet is not mentioned by name, commentators see in the communiqué the most clear warning to Moscow, couched in diplomatic and friendly terms.

At the same time the Fascist Council re-affirms the strength of the Rome-Berlin Axis and the Italo-German Military Alliance, though the policy of Italian neutrality is confirmed as the wisest course open to Rome, unless her integrity or independence is menaced.

Rome, Dec. 8. Re-affirming the Rome-Berlin Axis, the Italo-German military alliance will remain strong as before, and also Italy's non-belligerence in the war, the Fascist Grand Council in a communiqué asserts that Italy is determined to keep watch over the welfare of the Balkans and the Danubian countries.

This part of the communiqué is authoritatively interpreted as informing Russia not to attempt in the Balkans what she is trying in the Baltic.

Although couched in diplomatic language, the communiqué is generally recorded as containing a strong "between the lines" warning to Russia.—*United Press*.

**Former Policy Confirmed**  
Rome, Dec. 8. A Fascist Grand Council communiqué justifies the decision of September 1 establishing a non-belligerent Italy on the following grounds:

The immediate precedents of the war; the character of a state war assumed by the war itself on the Western Front; its development, more particularly in the economic field, by the blockade and counter-blockade of traffic; the changes which have occurred in the territorial situation and in the relation of the forces from the Baltic to the Carpathians.

The Council says that the decision of September 1 has hitherto averted the escalation of conflict to southeastern and Mediterranean Europe.

It asserts that Italy intends to safeguard sea traffic in the most definite manner, both for prestige and for the indispensable necessities of life.—*Reuter*.

**Allied Bribe Denied**  
Rome, Dec. 7. Both the Italian Government and the British and French Embassies today issued denials of the rumours that in an attempt to win over Italy on their side the Allies have offered two-thirds of the Suez Canal stocks and a lease of Djibouti to Italy.—*Dome*.

**No Sanctions Threat Yet**  
London, Dec. 8. It is learned that the newspaper report stating the British Government is ready to support sanctions against Russia is regarded in informed circles as premature.

It is stated that it is too early yet to forecast what may be decided upon after the consultations in Geneva.—*Reuter*.

**Postponement Likely**  
Geneva, Dec. 8. It is understood that the airway service between London and Paris, which is suspended, is delaying Mr. R. A. Butler and other British delegates to the League.

It is probable that the delay in the arrival of the delegates will lead to the postponement of the Council meeting for 48 hours.—*Reuter*.

**Spanish Feeling**  
Madrid, Dec. 8. The Cabinet has passed a resolution expressing indignation at the "barbarous" invasion of Finland, and formally registering deep sympathy with the Finnish people.—*Reuter Special*.

**"Peace Offensive" Likely**  
Paris, Dec. 8. Madame Tabouret, writing in *L'Ouvre*, says 40 Nazi agents have arrived in Geneva and are busy pressing the neutral delegates to make a big demonstration in favour of peace. Their methods are to reiterate that if the neutrals leave Geneva without a peace move, the French will know the direction of their policy and will punish them.

Pertinax, writing in *L'Ordre*, says France and Britain will resist any peace offensive, whether in the form of mediation proposals or suggestions for a temporary truce.

The writer declares as regards Finland that the Allies will condemn beginning of the war. The number of lives rescued is 717, which is five times the number saved in the same period last year.

The lifeboats along the British coast were called out 300 times in some of the worst gales experienced.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

**For the Poor**  
The poor and needy have not been forgotten.

**DURING** the week before Christmas a tree will be placed in St. John's Cathedral, as in other years, so that sympathisers may place their gifts on and around the tree. The parcels will be sent to the Hongkong Benevolent Society, the Society for the Protection of Children and the Social Service Centre, who will distribute them to the poor.

A large Christmas tree will be placed on Nathan Road outside St. Andrew's Church in a few days and will be illuminated each night until December 21, when a Christmas Tree Gift and Candle Service will be held in the grounds of the Church at 6 p.m.

The tree will, on that day, be placed in the grounds and the gifts received from sympathisers will be placed upon it. The Choir and children will walk round the Church bearing lighted candles and singing Carols. All gifts of money, food, clothing and toys will be distributed to destitute children.

**UNIVERSITY COURT**  
At the Fung Ping Shan Chinese Library at 5.30 on Thursday His Excellency the Governor will hold a meeting of the Court of the University of Hongkong.

## ECONOMIC COUNCIL

### East Asia Developments Under Discussion

Tokyo, Dec. 7. At the end of the three-day first general session in Tokyo, the East Asia Economic Council issued the following statement:

"As the result of discussions among the representatives of Japan, China, and Manchukuo, the first general session of the East Asia Economic Council has contributed much towards promoting mutual understandings."

Explaining Japan's foreign trade to the East Asia Economic Council, Mr. Horii of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry said that from January to October Japan exported Yen 2,770,000,000 of goods and imported Yen 2,300,000,000.

Exports to the Yen Bloc countries amounted to Yen 1,360,000,000 and imports reached Yen 1,440,000,000. Trade conditions between the three countries have not yet reached such a stage as to satisfy the requirements for the proposed self-sufficiency.

Outlining Manchukuo's foreign trade, Mr. Yokoyama said that Manchukuo's foreign trade in 1938 totalled Yuan 2,000,000,000, doubling the amount at the time when the new State was created.

Manchukuo is planning to export its newly-developed resources, including pulp, sulphate and coal, not only to Japan but to China and other countries.

The delegate of the Reformed Government for Central China said that due to the necessity of foreign exchange business, China's foreign trade with Japan is at present greater than with Western countries, but with the restoration of communication facilities and internal order, China will be able to increase its trade with third countries.

Central China hopes for a positive supply of construction material and daily necessities from Japan, while Central China will be able to supply raw cotton, cocoons and wood oil to Japan and Manchukuo.

Mr. Terazaki, delegate of the Federated Autonomous Government of Mongolian Frontier, said that arrangements are now in progress with Japanese authorities so that Mongolian exports to third countries will first be shipped to Japan and after being manufactured in Japan will be transhipped abroad.

**Railway Development**  
Speaking at the communications sub-committee meeting a representative of the North China Transport Company pointed out that an important railway is under construction between Tatung, the coal producing centre in northern Shanxi, and Tangku, the gateway to North China from the sea.

The construction will cost yen 190,000,000 and the line will extend over 300 miles. When completed, in four years, 24 65-carriage trains will operate on the line daily to transport 28,000,000 tons of coal annually from the inexhaustible Tatung mine to the outside world.

Confidence that after a new Government of China is formed overseas Chinese, especially those in the South Sea, will be prevailed upon to co-operate in the investments at home, was expressed by Mr. Liu Tsu-chun, the representative of Amoy and a councillor of the Amoy Municipal Government.—*Dome*.

**Western Front**  
**INCREASED ACTIVITY**  
Paris, Dec. 8. Patrol fighting is reported to have spread eastward and had become general from Lauterbourg to Moselle this morning, following 60 skirmishes last night.

Several sharp attacks in the morning near the Wissembourg and Vosges foothills extended to the Alsatian plain near the Rhine, and the frontier river junction. None of the attacks, however, were on a major scale.

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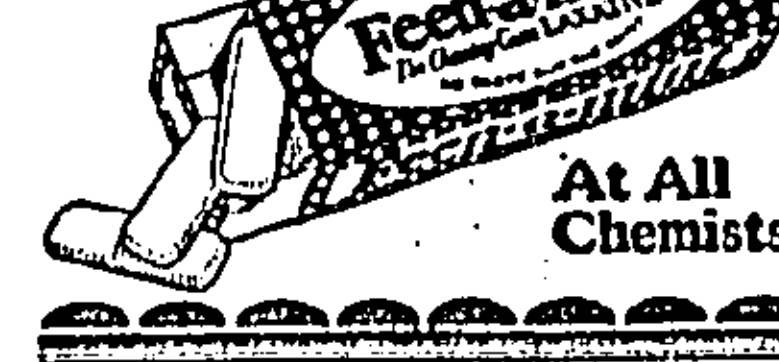
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## Mirror Is Candid Aid To Beauty

By JACQUELINE HUNT

**BEAUTY** lies partially in knowing how to put across the looks you have. Remember that people see you as a whole first, then they notice details like the colour of your eyes, your hair, your make-up. Check up on your figure, your movements and the way you wear your clothes first when you start on a self-improvement programme. The stunning women that decorate the pages of fashion magazines and pose for magazine covers are often no prettier than you are. But they know the tricks of choosing and wearing clothes to dramatize their types—and they know how to keep their figures slim, youthful and graceful.

Do as professional models to do and rehearse the way you wear your clothes before a full-length mirror. Stretch yourself tall and see how much thinner your waistline automatically becomes. Hold it this way. Study the angle at which you should wear your hat, the smartest length for your skirts, the proper place for your waistline. A slim, high waistline, for instance, and a skirt that is three or four inches below your knee will make you appear inches taller. Practice walking gracefully and sitting down in different costumes. Practice draping your scarf, removing and folding your gloves, carrying your pocket-book.

**Let Your Mirror Tell**

Gauge your skirt length by your height and the shape of your leg regardless of the current fashion. If you are very short, no matter how slimly and slim your legs, a skirt that is fourteen or fifteen inches from the floor will make you appear shorter, while a tight high waist and a flowing, unbroken length of skirt that is a bit longer will make you appear taller.

A reasonably safe rule for most of you is to keep the hem of your skirt just above the thickest part of the calf. If your legs are quite fleshy, however, you might look more chic if your skirt came just a bit below the fleshiest part. This is something you must decide before your own mirror.

**Practice Walking Exercises**

If your walk isn't as graceful as you would like it to be, practice posture exercises for twenty minutes daily. Swing your legs easily in their sockets, and follow a straight ground. Don't swing your hips or line when you walk, straightening each knee as your foot touches the ground. Don't swing your hips or rock your body from side to side if you wish to walk gracefully. Try to spring your weight up from the balls of your feet as you take each step, instead of dragging it as some girls seem to do.

Learning to sit gracefully takes conscious effort and practice in



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front of a mirror. Depend on your muscles to lower you slowly into a chair. Do not flop. It isn't difficult to sit down slowly if you place one foot slightly in front of the other for balance. And when you get up, shift your weight toward the edge of the chair, cross your feet in front of you and while using one as a brace, use the other to bring your weight upward and forward.

**Be Proud of Clothes**

Handle your clothes as though you were proud of them. When you take off your gloves, loosen one finger at a time, slip them off, fold neatly the long way and carry them gracefully. Don't crumple them into a knot. Put them on with equal care. When you take off your coat or jacket, slip it off one shoulder at a time and either lay it neatly over the back of your chair or fold it and lay it aside. Your movements should be slow and graceful.

Of course, your clothes should be kept in immaculate condition. This applies to accessories, too. Keep your hat brushed, your bag gloves clean and smooth, your bag dusted or brushed if it is suede or fabric.



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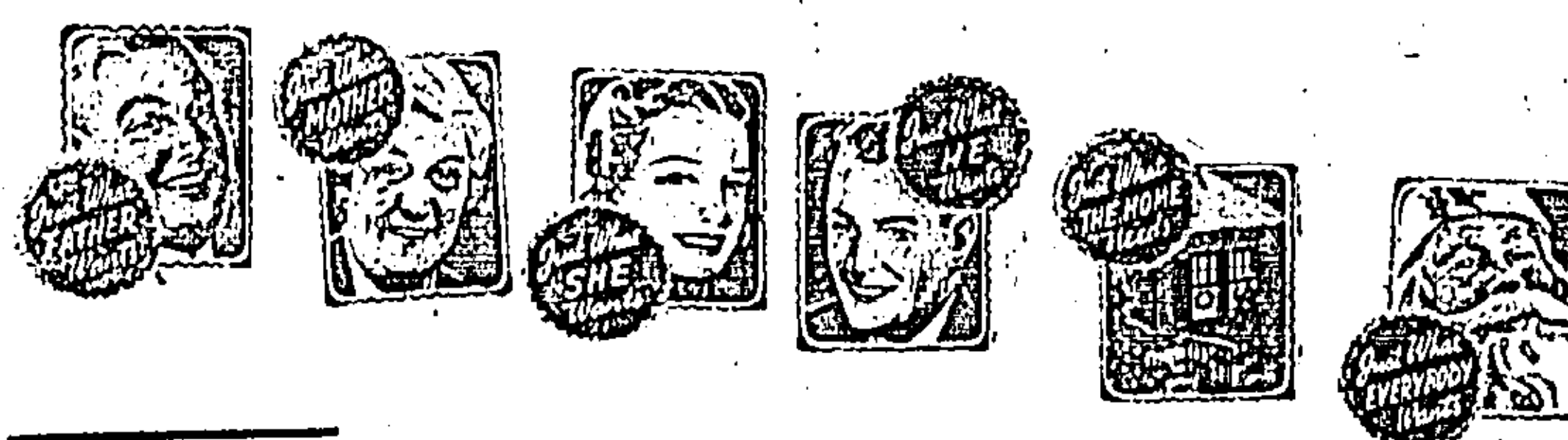


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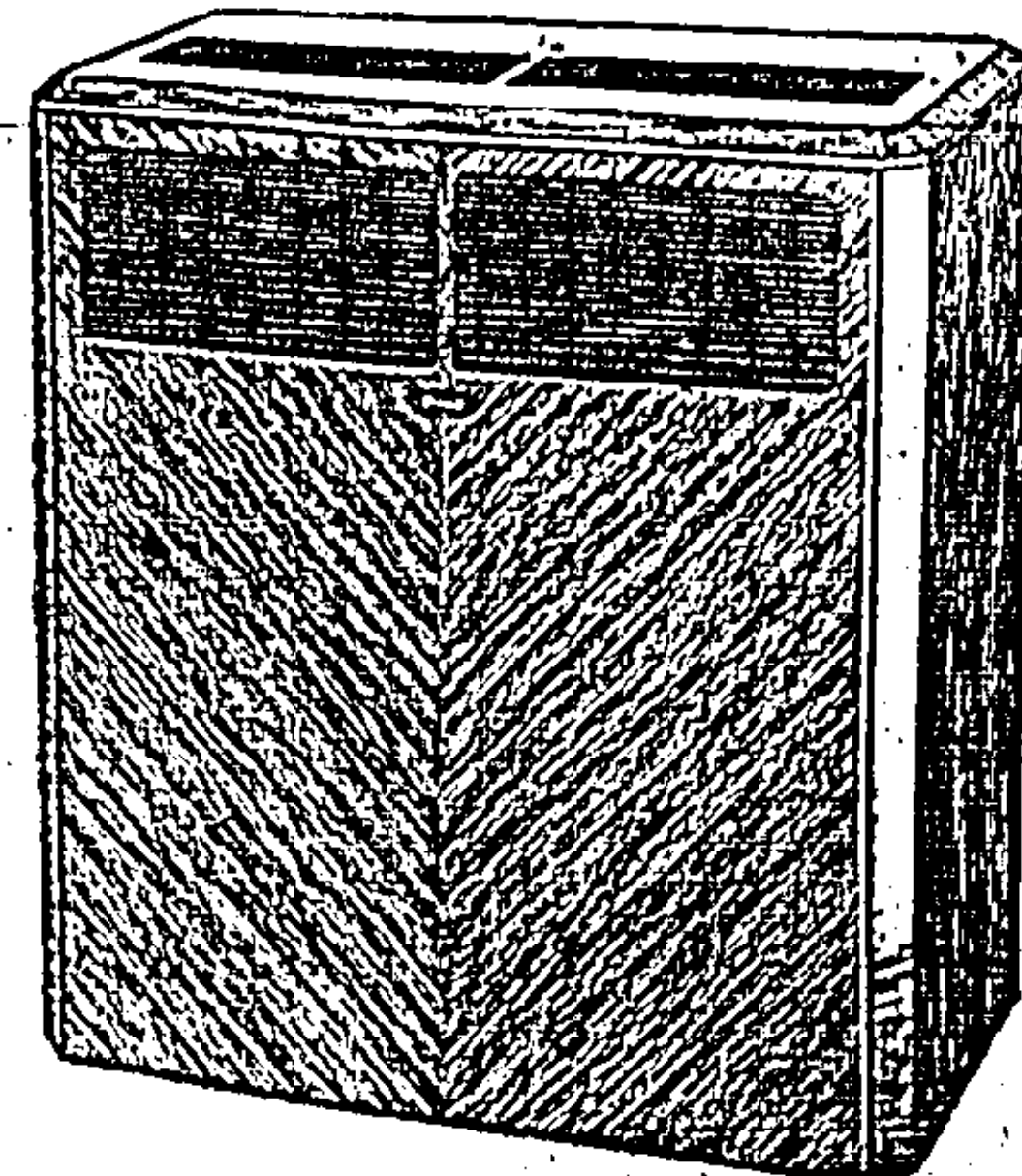
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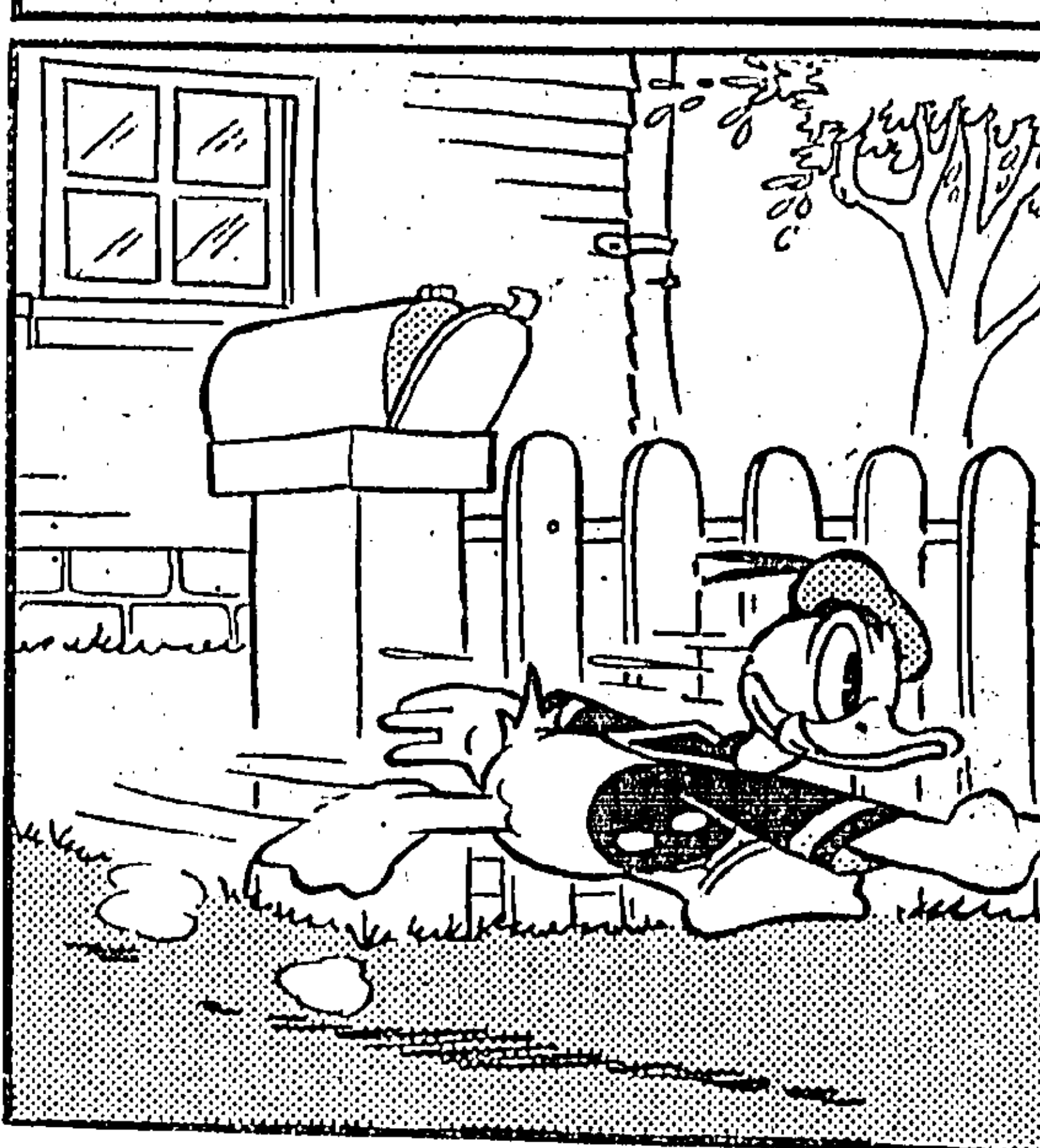
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However, I finally decided to award the prizes this week to:  
Cynthia Silver (aged 11), 37, Hankow Road, Kowloon.  
Albert Coplin (aged 9 1/2), 29, Ashley Road, Kowloon.  
Jack Dobson (aged 8), 38, Hankow Road, 2nd Floor, Kowloon.  
Coupons have been sent to Cynthia, Albert and Jack which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" office in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes. Specially commended for excellent work are the following:  
Seniors: Paul Vessouza, Douglas Weddall, A. Mohammed, Oleg Julobin, Sheila Le Tisser, Louis Young, Alice Lee, Dolores Quinn, George Saunders, Jessie John, Joan Nelson, Audrey Heath, Wilbur Marshall, Gloria Mattos, John Grey, David Baxter.  
Intermediates: Joan Elaine Hills, Kitty

Charles, Roberto Qann, Pinky da Silva, Frankie Correa, Shona McIntyre, Donald Marshall, S. S. Kwan, David Moulding, Anthony Cateher, S. Dux, Dennis Ablona, John Barton.  
Juniors: Alfred Wong, Lora Jidkoff, Sylvia Remedios, Gerald Marshall, Brian Tupper, Derek Mitchell, Ian Fraser (Taipei).  
Paul Vessouza: Thank you very much for your lovely greeting card.  
This week, kiddies, we are having a popular, enlouring competition. With your paints or crayons colour the above picture of Donald Duck as gaily and as neatly as you can. Fill in the name, age and address coupon and send your entries to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph" office, Wyndham Street. The competition closes at 2 p.m. on Wednesday.  
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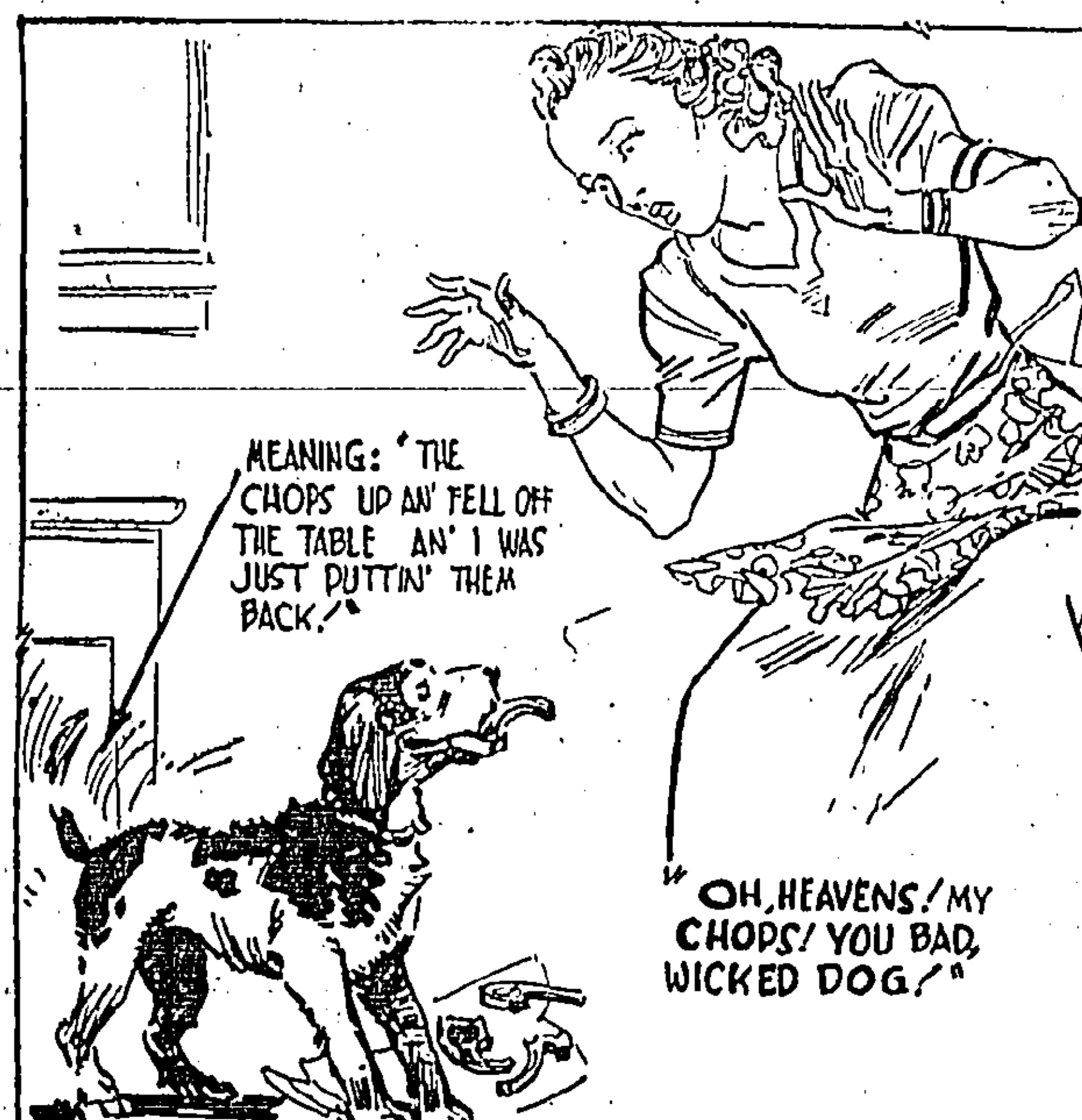
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Reports from refugees who have reached Budapest say that among those who have died are the famous long-distance runner, J. Noll, who has raced in England, the Davis Cup lawn tennis player, J. Hebda, and international footballers, Wodarz, side-left, and Wostin, centre-forward. Nothing is yet known of the whereabouts of Poland's most famous figure in sport, Mlle. Jadwiga Jędrzejko (the late tennis champion) who held a usual visit to Wimbledon this summer. She was known to be in Paris a week before the German invasion.

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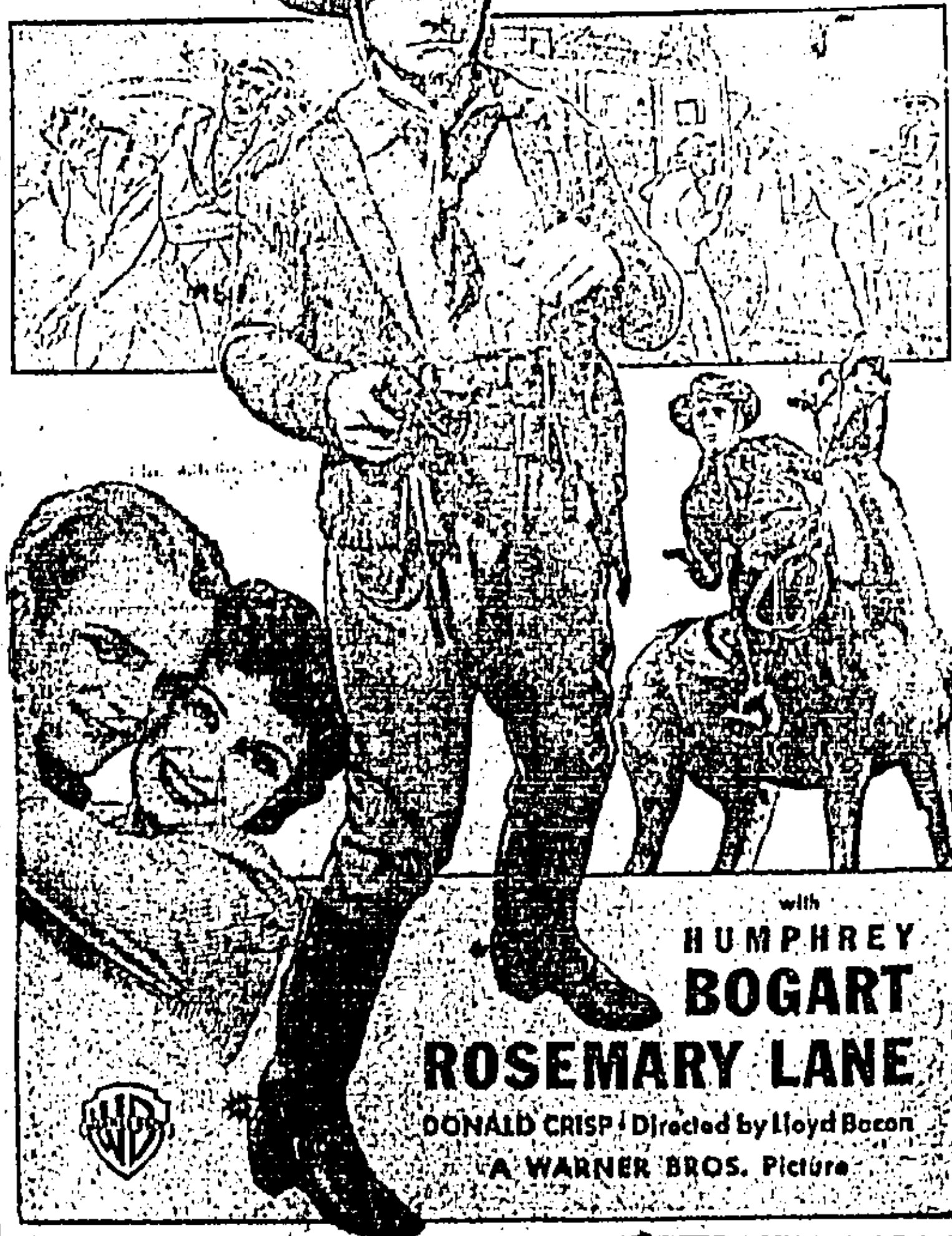
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Answering criticisms of the frequent changes of principals at the Central British School, Mr. G. E. S. Updell, Principal, told a big gathering at the Annual Speech Day of the School yesterday, that the elevation in status would reduce the need for changes of principals to a minimum. He also gave an assurance there would be no need for further changes for some time in school books.

Referring to recent correspondence in the Press concerning schools, Mr. Updell explained the code of honour the school endeavoured to instill into the students and appealed to parents for co-operation in observing this code.

Mr. Updell also appealed for caution by parents in giving permission for their sons to play for clubs.

The Headmaster congratulated the children on their public spirit in requesting that the money which would have been spent on prizes be donated to the British War Organization Fund.

Mr. Justice Lindell presented the certificates and awards, and endorsed the Headmaster's advice both to the pupils and parents.

### Prize List

Form Prizes—Lower Remove, Jean Reid, Tania Tehurin, Upper Remove, David Koch, June Martin, Lower 1, Gordon Wood, Maureen Turner, Upper, Keith Martin, John Pabel, Lower 2, Theodore Koch, Brian Camp, Upper, 2, Jessie Gullion, Yvonne Shaw, Lower 3, Willard Grant, Margaret McNeill, Upper, 3, William Lanchester, Mauriel Scullb, Lower 4, Rosine Robertson, Charles Clark, Upper 4, Willy Dubois, Allan Goldenberg, Form 5, Evelyn Morrison, Richard Labrum.

Special Prizes given by certain members of the staff—French, Vera Steans, Drawing, Upper School, Mary Asche, Lower, Anna Muzzali, Mathematics, D. Padgett.

Principal's Prizes—Upper School, Perilla Beralia, Lower, Jean Hale.

Best All Rounder—Boys, William Pryde, Girls, Mona Shand.

War Memorial Prize—William Pryde.

Government Scholarships—Remove, Peter Jeffrey, Form 1, Yvonne Blackmore, Form 2, Kenneth Stone, Form 3, Jean Hale, Form 4, Joan Burroughs, Form 5, William Clague.

Lugard Scholarship—Mary Grace Asche.

J. R. M. Smith Scholarship—Malcolm Swan.

Dock Company Scholarships—Joan Milard, David Blackie, Ezra Abraham, Scholarship—Valentine Vorobioff.

Cambridge School Certificate Examination 1939—W. G. Pryde, J. E. F. Hurley, 2, Mona Shand, 3, D. S. Wilson, 4.

Hongkong University Matriculation Examination—Valentine Vorobioff.

Education Department School Certificate Examination 1939—Vera Steans (Honours), Anne Smith (Honours), J. W. Clague, R. G. Labrum, A. M. Oden, N. L. Smith, M. Swan, Jean Forbes, Evelyn Morrison, June Moss, Rosemary Tickell.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Songs by Turner Layton at the Piano.

12.40 Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 George Scott Wood and His Six Swingers. Quickstep, Hot Pie, Slow Fox-Trot, Hot Pie, Handel In Harlem, My Sweetie Went Away, Evergreens Of Jazz—Hot Time in the Old Town To-night; In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree; Dinah; Avalon; I Can't Give You Anything But Love, Baby; Nagsaki, Fox-Trot, Hot Pie, Medley—I Got Rhythm; China Boy; Alice Blue Gown; Hot Lips; Aunt Hagar's Blues; Am I Blue, Slow Fox-Trot, Nightfall.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Selections from Light Opera—"Wake Up And Dream", "Mister Cinders", "The Maid of the Mountains", "The Merry Widow", "The Diamond Rose".

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Compositions of Bach. Two Minuets (from Sonata No. 6 in E Major for Solo Violin), Henry Merckel (Violin) Unaccompanied.

Partita in D Flat, Harold Samuel (Piano), My Spirit Was in Heavens, (from the Cantata "Sighing, Weeping, Trouble, Want", The Heart I Ask From Thee, Love, Lotte Leonard (Soprano), Aria (from Suite in D), Andante, Pablo Casals (Cello).

Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 in E Major, Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor), Good-Bye (Tosti), Killarney (Falconer-Balfre), I Love You So (from "The Merry Widow").

7.00 Military Band Concert with Malcolm McEachern (Bass), Castaldo-March, L'Entente Cordiale, The Bell Ringer, Out On The Deep, Tidworth Tattoo—Tidworth March; Coburg March, Sambre Et Meuse, March (Planquette), March Lorraine (Ganne), La Marseillaise, Anchors Aweigh.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 B.B.C. Recording—"Flying High" Part II. Written and arranged by Alan Russell and Charles Brewer.

8.30 London Relay—"Birds of a Feather" Comedy of Welsh Rural Life.

9.00 Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham with Mark Weber and His Orchestra. Dainty Little Maiden, I've Found A Whole World In You, "The Beggar Student."

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.35 Local Sport Results.

9.32 Reginald Foort at the Organ. Medley Of Dally's Favourites—A bachelor gay (The Maid of the Mountains); Villa (The Merry Widow); Bohemia (The Happy Day); Leander (Kaleha the Dancer); Under the Decider (A Country Girl); You're in love (Gipsy Love). Reminiscences Of Fiml—Indian Love Call; The Mountains; Chanson; The door of my dreams; Rose Marie; March of the Vagabonds; Only a Rose; L'Amour Toujours L'Amour; Serenade.

9.45 B.B.C. Recording—"The Fol-De-Rols." Variety show written and produced by Greatrex Newman with Music by Wolsey Charles.

10.25 Dance Music.

11.00 London Relay—"London Log."

11.15 More Dance Music.

12.00 midnight. Close Down.

### TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME

Haydn Symphony No. 6 "The Surprise"

H.K.T.

10.30-11.30 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from the Union Church.

11.30 Close down.

12.15 Mozart—Concerto in G Major, Edwin Fischer (Piano) and His Chamber Orchestra.

12.40 Two Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano), "Die Fledermaus" (Strauss), My Lord Marquis, I'll Play The Innocent Country Maid.

12.47 Elgar—Serenade in E Minor For Strings, Op. 20. London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir Edward Elgar.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Richard Tauber (Tenor) and Alfredo Campbell and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Beethoven—Sonata in A Major, Op. 110. Wilhelm Kempff (Piano).

2.05 Beethoven—Trio in G Major, Op. 9, No. 1. The Pasquier Trio.

2.30 Close down.

7.0 Compositions of Schubert.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Piano Soles by Coriol, Impromptu No. 2 in F Sharp Major, Op. 30 (Chopin), Papillons, Op. 2 (Schumann).

8.22 Haydn—Symphony No. 6 In

## OVERSEAS STUDENTS

In spite of the changed conditions of wartime the obligations of the Victoria League towards students from overseas will be fulfilled. Advice to this effect has been received by the secretary of the Victoria League at Hongkong, from London.

It was at one time thought that the universities in England would cease to function normally for lack of students, but under the arrangements now made military service, it is estimated that some 60 per cent. of the normal undergraduate population will be in residence and that the courses of study with some modification to suit war conditions, will proceed as usual.

The League hopes to be able to carry out its obligations for the welfare and assistance of students from overseas. The work has, in fact, been increased owing to the removal of nearly all the colleges of the University of London to various parts of the kingdom, and the consequent necessity of keeping in touch with the students belonging to them and of commending them to local branches of the League.

Contact is being maintained with the students who remain in London and weekly meetings for recreation and discussion are in progress. The Committee of the League advises that its willingness and ability to assist students from overseas is in no way lessened by the war, during which it is of the first importance that all educational and cultural facilities should be maintained.

Arrangements are in progress for hospitality of all kinds to be shown to men and women coming from overseas to join His Majesty's armed forces, and that the League would be very glad to receive introductions to any officers, men or military nurses from Hongkong, who might care to be offered some hospitality. The offers from all the Empire Societies are being co-ordinated by a joint committee under the chairmanship of Field Marshal Lord Milne.

G Major (The "Surprise" Symphony).

Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky.

8.45 Studio—Talk by Madam Sun Yat Sen on "The Meaning of the Chinese Industrial Co-Operatives."

9.05 Orchestral. Festivo (Tempo Di Boiero—No. 3 of "Scenes Historiques" Sibelius, Op. 25), Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Compositions of Ravel.

10.0 Edouard Coimette at the Organ. Andante from "Sonata No. 6" (Mendelssohn). Piece Heroique (Cesne Franck).

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue. Conducted by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Victoria.

10.35 Close down.

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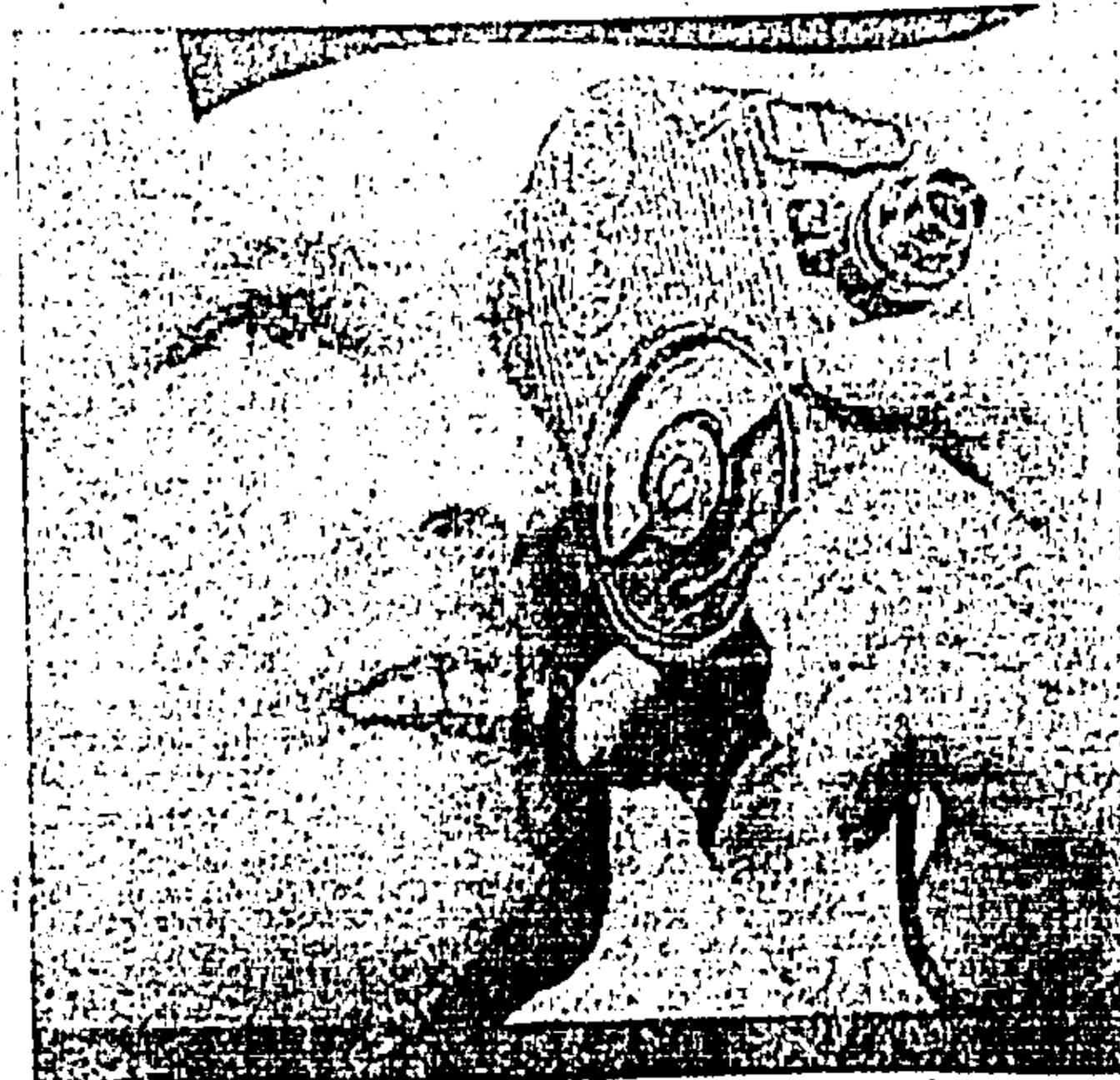
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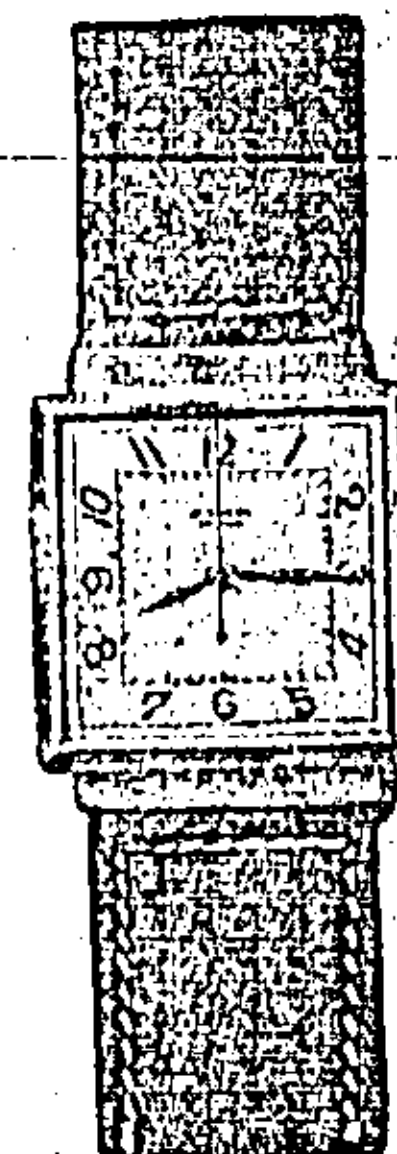
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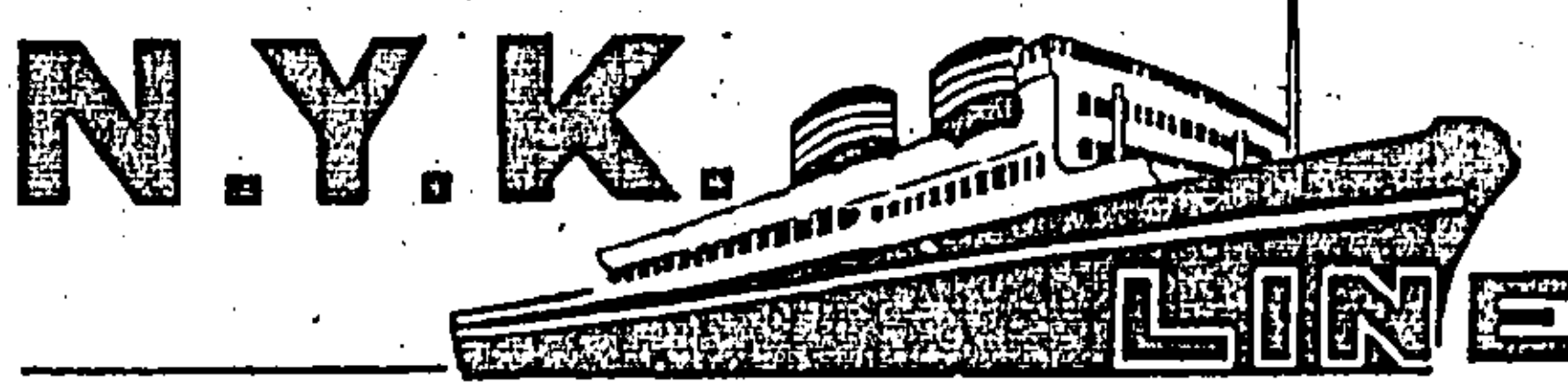
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**Day 10, Advent II--7:15 a.m.** Holy Communion.  
**9 a.m.** Sunday School: Seniors at the Church, Kindergarten at 3 Duke St.  
**10 a.m.** Subject: "The Virgin." Preacher: Mr. George She. **11 a.m.** Subject: "The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus."  
**6:30 p.m.** Evening Song and Sermon Preacher: The Rev. Mr. Subject: "The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus."  
**Monday, Dec. 11--** 6:45 of Martin and Mary McGinn. Vicarage at 5:30 p.m. Spoker: Miss E. M. Gibbins. Headmaster's Office at 5:30 p.m. Vicarage at 5:30 p.m. Church Practice at 5:30 p.m. Play rehearsal at 8:30 p.m. Also on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 8:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Dec. 12--** Church Council meets in Christ Church Vicarage at 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Dec. 13--** Wolf Cubs meet at 3 Duke St. at 4:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Dec. 14--** Holy Communion at 7:15 a.m.

A Service in Mandarin is held every Sunday at 11 o'clock in Christ Church. Preacher for Dec. 10 will be Miss Pao-sun Tseng, Principal of I-Fang College, Chang-sha.

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**Monthly Communion Fellowship  
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**Sunday, December 11, Second Sunday  
in Advent**  
Holy Communion at 8 a.m. The monthly  
Holy Communion Fellowship Breakfast  
will be at 9 a.m. All Communicants  
are invited to be present.  
Matins and Address 11 a.m. Preacher:  
The Vicar.  
Evening and Address 8.15 p.m. Preacher:  
The Vicar. The Sunday Evening  
Club will be held in the Chater Room  
after the evening service.  
Primary Sunday School in the Hall, 10  
a.m. Leader: Miss W. Robinson.  
Young People's Service in Church, 10  
a.m. Leader: Mr. R. Baldwin.

**Week Day Notices**

7 p.m.; Teacher's Preparation Class, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 12—Mother's Union, 3 p.m.; Brownie Pack, 3:30 p.m.; Boy's Club Practice, 6 p.m.; A.R.P. Lecture in the Hall, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13—Medieval War, 10 a.m.; St. Andrew's Wolf Cubs, 5:30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Rover Scouts (1st Kowloon) at 11, Cumberland Road, Kowloon Town, at 8:45 p.m.

Thursday, December 14—Women's Fellowship, 3 p.m.; Boy Scouts, 6 p.m.; St. Andrew's Club Committee meeting at 8:30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Club "Open" night at 9 p.m.

Friday, December 15—Medieval War, 10 a.m.; A.R.P. Lecture, 6 p.m.; Full Choir Practice, 6:30 p.m.; Toc H in the Chater Room, 8:45 p.m.

Offerings for the London  
Missionary Society

morning service, 10:30 a.m.; evening service 8 p.m. Preacher at both services, Rev. C. Mackenzie Dow.

The offerings at both services are on behalf of the London Missionary Society, The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, will be celebrated at the close of the Morning Service.

There will be a meeting of the Women's Guild in the Church Hall on Friday, Dec. 10 at 3 p.m.

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—

"The law of the divine Mind must endure man's bondage, or mortals will continue unaware of man's inalienable rights and of his subjection to hopeless slavery. Disobedience, pertaining the rights of man, we cannot fail to foresee the doom of all oppression. Then we wait patiently on God and seek Truth righteousness. He directs our path. Step by step will those who trust Him realize that God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." (Pages 229, 234 and 441.)

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**Hongkong Stock Exchange Weekly**  
Report issued yesterday says enquiries during the week have broadened throughout the list, and there has been coupled with an advance in traders' bids for scrip. The volume also has steadily improved and shows signs of continuing to expand. The weather just now is at its best thereby tempting capital to emerge from its hibernation to take more notice of its monetary surroundings. Capital may also be attracted by the pungency of government dividends ahead especially viewed in the light of the conservative basis based on to-day's conservative basis.

Home papers are asking, as well they may, whether or not the end of the war will see a revolution in Germany. Manifestly the odds are heavily in favour of a general uprising in that unhappy country, for, as has been made clear by the various wires and correspondence from England and the Continent, the war party, however powerful where funds and political influence are concerned, is small numerically when compared with the bulk of the German

Dec. 8, 1922

The attempted piracy of the Dougan, a fast launching, brilliantly equipped, and the supremely heroic efforts of her officers, but unfortunately attended by a terrible loss of life and a devastating destruction of property, has been the subject of the vessel and all but robbed her gallant officers of the fruits of their victory, represents one of the most notable episodes in the annals of China Coast shipping.

The pirates launched three attacks in their furious attempts to conquer the Dougan, but were repulsed on each occasion. It is ascertained, only one of their number managed to reach the bridge.

The daring ransacker shot down Mr. K. E. Perry, Chief Officer, in the face, cold blood. He was rushing down the companion way when he met Mr. R. E. Perry, the Chief Officer, about to run the pirates down the stairs. The two men fired simultaneously. Mr. Perry was wounded in the head; the pirate dropped dead at his feet with a bullet in

point of vantage they poured a hail of bullets into their attackers. All assaults were repulsed with loss. It is believed that at least eight patriots were killed outright, and that seven others were wounded.

Directly they realised the futility of their attempts to take the bridge by storm, the patriots gave, which originally numbered about thirty, set fire to the bridge from the main floor, first swelling the region with kerfuffles, and then the flames were soon set up and the horrors of the night battle were intensified by the uproar among the deck-passengers. Nothing could keep them from the bridge, and probably a number of those wounded were hit by burning into the cross-berth in their panic.

Dec. 8, 1934.  
According to Hungarian sources, Jugo-Slavian frontier guards are entering Hungarian territory and are trying to provide incidents which will supply an excuse for war.

roads of the Continent again next week, it is expected, singing the same old songs as when they plodded up the Rhine some twenty years ago upon a very different mission. They will be marching to the Saar to help to keep the peace there and prevent disorders which might affect the peace of Europe.

Yesterday afternoon's entertainment, provided by the pupils of the Peak School at the annual prize-giving was greatly enjoyed, the Peak Club being filled to capacity by parents and the friends.

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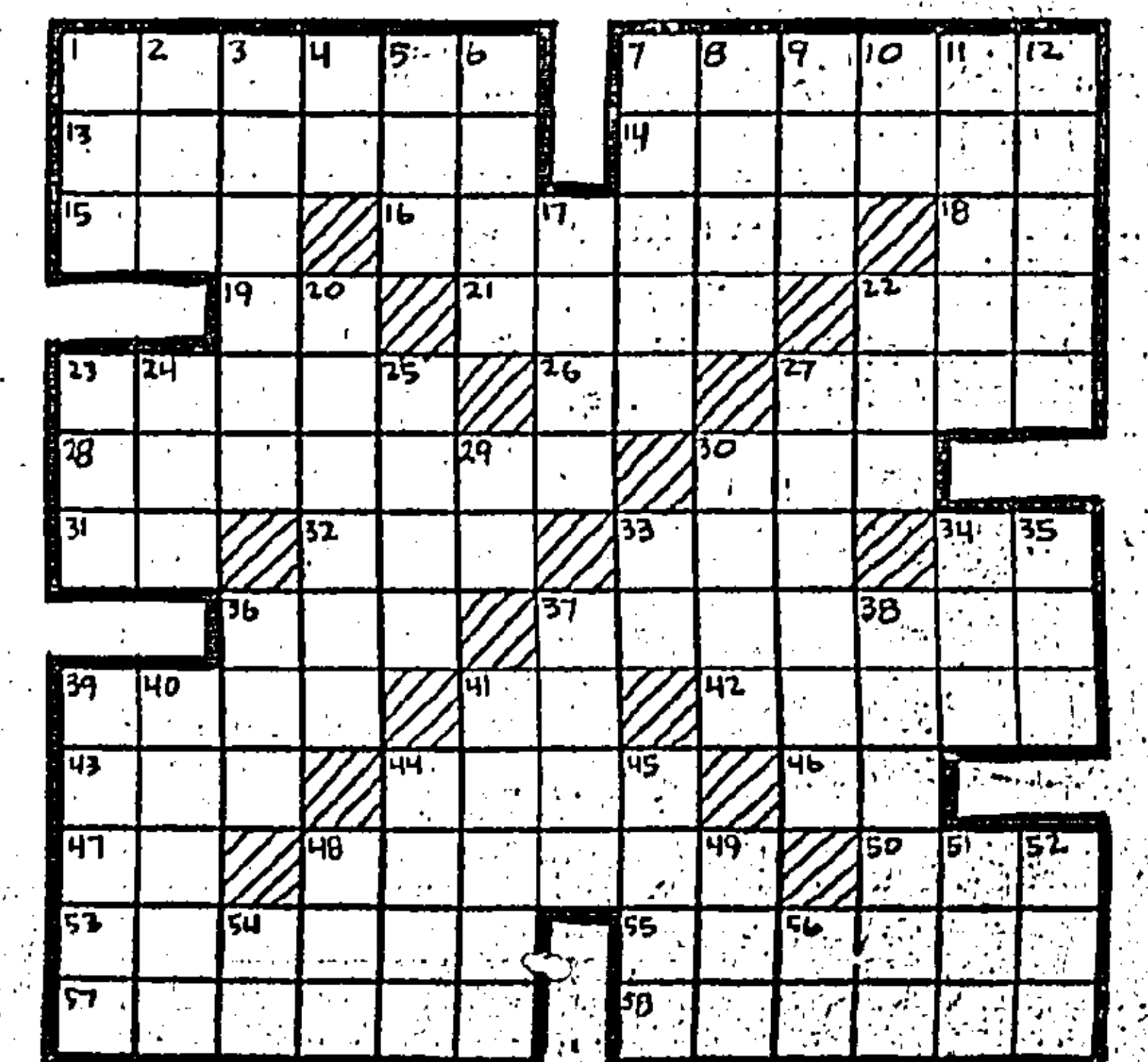
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## 55 B.C. and All That at Objectors' Tribunal

The Roman invasion of Britain in 55 B.C. was discussed at a recent sitting of the London tribunal for conscientious objectors.

Raymond Cook (21), a City clerk, of Amery Gardens, N.W., said that if the Germans invaded Britain as the Romans did twenty centuries ago, he would not attempt to resist, except passively.

Judge Hargreaves (chairman): How long do you think the Romans stayed here?—Four or five hundred years.  
"And if a German invasion lasted as long as the Roman Empire?"  
Inquired another member of the tribunal.

"If you passively resisted them their system could not last long," declared Cook.

Cook said he was willing to join the R.A.M.C.

Victor Duker, of Higheroff, North Hill, N., a G.P.O. Civil Servant, said he was not allowed to play with toy

soldier as a child, and his father would not let him join the Boy Scouts "because it was militaristic."

Sir James Baillie: Do you think it worse to kill than to be a slave?—Yes.

## Infantile Paralysis

Manila, Dec. 8.  
The Bureau of Health revealed today that Mr. Alexander Reynolds, 26, of Los Angeles, a civilian employee at the United States Army air base at Nichols Field, has been stricken with infantile paralysis.

The Philippine Government's iron lung has been transferred to the United States Army hospital where Mr. Reynolds is confined.

Eighteen employees who had been working with Mr. Reynolds are now under observation.

Mrs. Colman and her children, who were also stricken with the disease, are now improving.—United Press.

The appointment of Messrs. The Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China as liquidators of Messrs. Gebruder Roese (Swatow) has been revoked by order of H.E. the Governor.

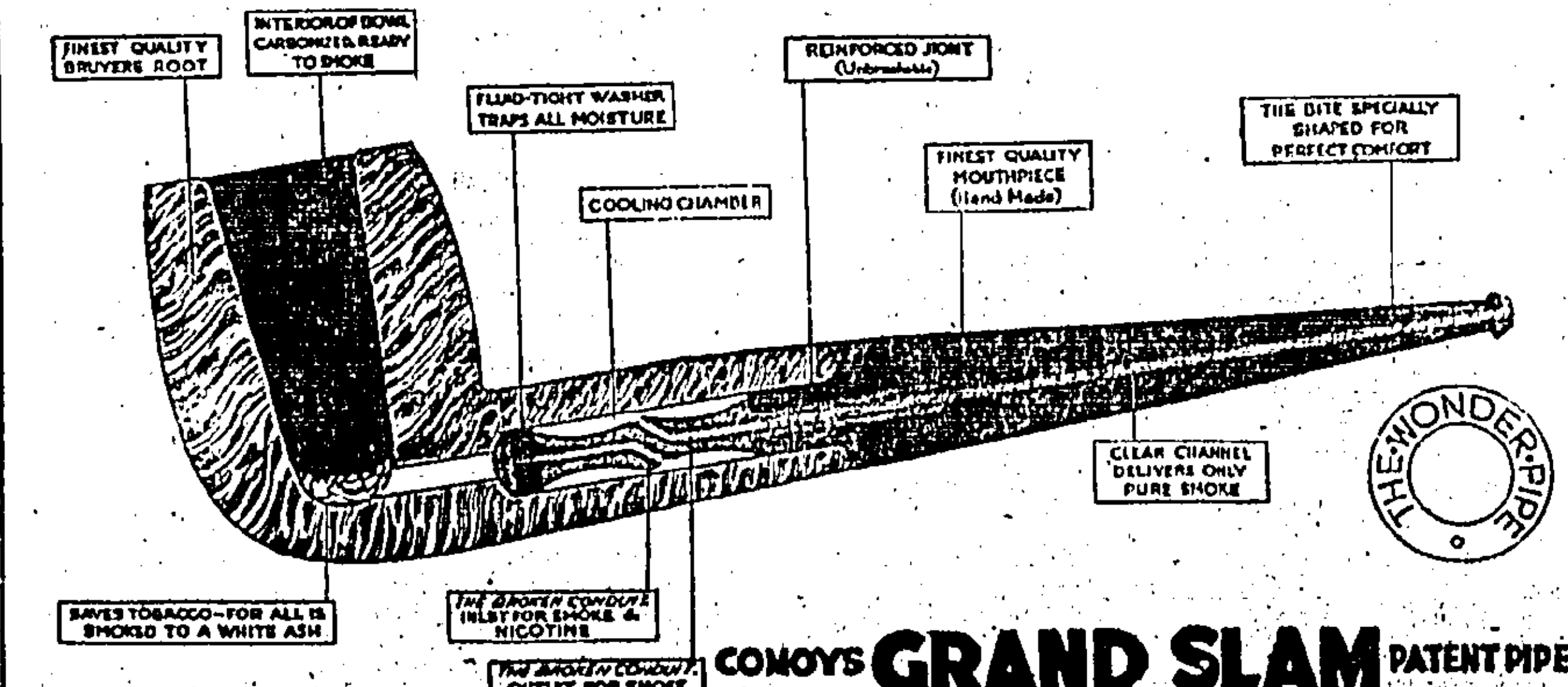
## LATE NEWS

### POPE DRIVES THROUGH ROME

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ROME, Dec. 8 (Reuter).—For the first time for 70 years, the Pope today gave benediction, "Gloria," from the balcony of a church in Rome—Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore.

The Pope drove in a procession of nine cars through cheering crowds to Basilica, where 40 years ago to-day, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, His Holiness celebrated his first Mass.

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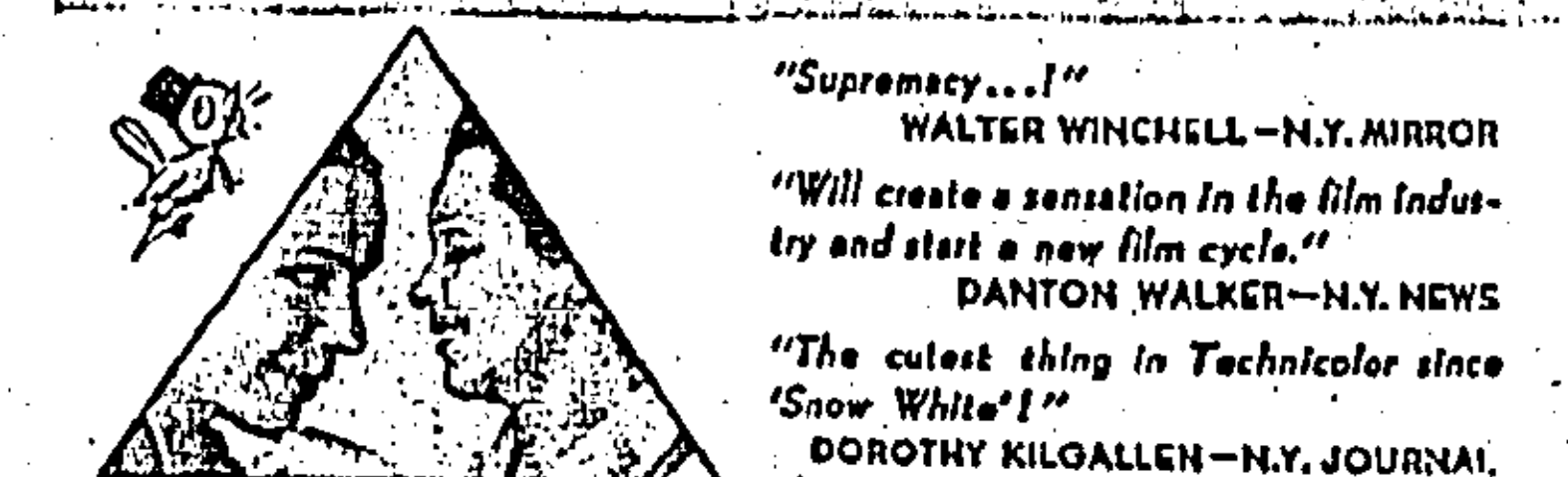
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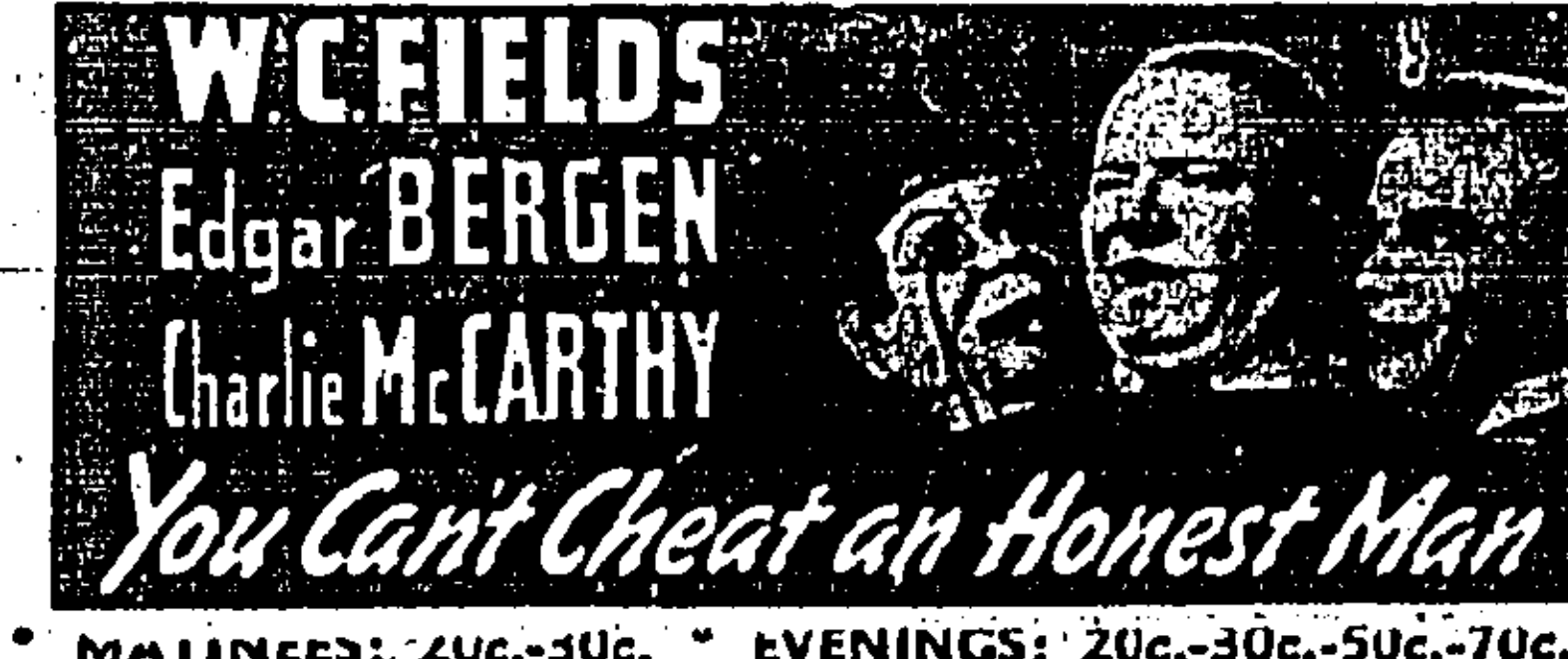
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